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HOLY ROW OVER WHETHER THE MAYOR WILL ATTEND

Two church services to mark the Queen's birthday

AN Anglican church service for the Queen's 90th birthday could be held without the presence of Axminster's mayor.

It is not yet known who will be Mayor of Axminster come June 12th, but should Douglas Hull be re-elected for the customary second term he will not attend the service.

Instead, he will throw his efforts into a united service with Axminster Churches Together later that afternoon.

As reported last week, the 11am morning service on Sunday June 12th, to be taken by Dr Paul Davis, Chaplain to The Queen, is part of a three-event programme organised by a small group of residents, including town councillor Mervyn Symes, to celebrate the Queen's birthday.

Axminster Mayor Douglas Hull, though, has been instrumental in organising an afternoon service in the Guildhall at 3pm together with Axminster Churches Together to celebrate the Queen's birthday.

A rumour that the morning service is being "boycotted" by Axminster Mayor Douglas Hull has

by Anders Larsson

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been doing the rounds, but the Mayor says there is no boycott.

He said: "I haven't been invited.

"As far as I'm concerned, the town council and the mayor have not been invited.

"I knew nothing about this other thing. I only heard about it second hand. It was a shock to hear I was going to an event I wasn't invited to."

The Queen is the supreme governor of The Church of England, and when asked if he would attend the morning service should an invite be issued, Mayor Douglas Hull said: "She is our Queen, it has nothing to do with religion.

"I'm a monarchist, and I intend to be a monarchist.

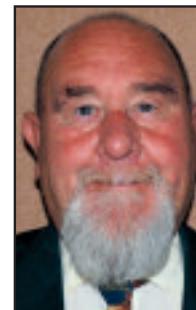
"I will be preparing for the Churches Together service, I can't be in two places at the same time.

"And I have apologised to the Anglican minister that somebody else had arranged something we know nothing about."

Former mayor Mr Symes, one of the town's most active community workers, said Councillor Hull had been aware of the plans to celebrate the Queen's birthday for some time but had made it



■ MERVYN SYMES:
"Invitation will be sent
when Mayor is elected"



■ MAYOR Douglas
HULL: "I have not been
invited"

clear he had no intention of attending the church service.

He told *Pulman's View*: "It is entirely appropriate that we should hold a service in The Minster as the Queen is the head of the Church of England.

"No official invitation has been sent to the mayor because the mayor for next year has not been chosen yet.

"That will not happen until the next council meeting May 9th. When we know who the mayor will be, an official invitation will be extended."

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Police have issued an appeal for witnesses, and a spokesperson said: "We received a report of criminal damage to a grey Volkswagen Golf GTI.

"The paintwork to the off-side of the vehicle

was scratched at some point between 6.30pm on Friday April 15th and 7.30am on Monday April 18th.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS Quotes of the week...



SEATON: Paul Hotchkiss has won the Citizen of the Year Award for 2016, for more than 40 years' 'loyal and unfailing service to the town'



HONITON: Brian Cherratt has been recognised for his 54 years' service to the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme



BEER: Jayne Aplin will be taking part in next month's night-time 26.2-mile MoonWalk London to raise money for breast cancer research



CREWKERNE: Tony Warren, a former lecturer at Yeovil College, is to run a sociology course for Crewkerne and District University and the Third Age (U3A) starting April 27th

“ What I would have had in my pocket for expenses, I will give to causes in the town.”

Axminster mayor Douglas Hull, who said he will donate his expenses to local charities The Project and Charity Togs

“ I wasn't expecting this. What I do is really my job – but I do really enjoy it.”

Helena Jones, community champion at her local Tesco – who has raised more than £21,000 for charities in the last year – on being presented with Ilminster Town Council's Honoured Citizen award for 2016

“ ... it knew a good thing with all its free food and refused to leave.”

Seaton Wetlands Nature Reserve volunteer Judith Richards, who was involved in the rescue of a Daubenton's bat which was disturbed from hibernation. The bat, dubbed Derek, was eventually released successfully

◆ CHARD Road Runners' Bernie Genge and Andy Mear were among many local athletes who completed the London Marathon on Sunday



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OTTERY ST MARY

West Hill councillors call for meeting

WEST Hill representatives on Ottery St Mary Town Council have called for an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) after it was announced that there would be public meetings to discuss the village's move for independence and to help residents better understand the implications of the split.

At the EGM council members will be discussing whether there will be a panel of town councillors, approving who will be making any representation on behalf of Ottery St Mary Town Council, and agreeing speaking rights for members of the public.

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From the editor's chair

Concerns over late-night violence

THOSE of us fortunate enough to live in this area know and appreciate that it is a relatively crime-free area.

We also appreciate that police budgets are under pressure and the days of our streets being policed at night belong to another age.

Ask anyone about the police and 99 per cent say they want to see a greater presence on our streets. It's not going to happen.

Whilst crime figures are still relatively low in Pulman's Country, the number of late-night violent incidents is a concern to many.

This newspaper – and others – get frequent calls from readers about anti-social behavior when the pubs turn out and in Axminster especially there have been a number of disturbing incidents in recent times.

Reports on crime figures are provided on a regular basis to our councils. At one time a police officer would attend to present these reports and answer any concerns expressed by councillors. Reduced staffing levels don't allow for this to happen, although on occasions PCSOs do attend.

At the April meeting of Axminster Town Council the police report highlighted that incidents of violence and anti-social behavior were proving to be a problem.

HONITON

Post Office will move to WH Smith

WH SMITH has been chosen as the preferred destination for the relocation of Honiton's post office, and a consultation period has been set up for the public to have their say on the proposed changes.

The Post Office announced plans back in January that they were looking to close their crown branch in Honiton – with general opinion being that WH Smith was the most likely new home for the town's post office, as the company already operates more than a 100 post office counters across the UK.

The move is planned for August and the new location at WH Smith would offer nearly ten extra hours of service, as well as being open seven days a week.

SIDMOUTH

Boost to tourism with £2M hotel refit

TOURISM in Sidmouth is set for a boost after a hotel chain invested £2million in the former Westcliff Hotel, turning it into a state of the art getaway.

One of the UK's most luxurious hotel groups, Harbour Hotels, has refurbished one of Sidmouth's most famous holiday spots by introducing 22 new courtyard bedrooms, the new 'Upper Deck' bar and restaurant, a stunning new function room and a restyled reception and lounge areas.

It is hoped the refurbishment can help continue the reinvigoration of Sidmouth over recent years.

COLYTON

'Much achieved' on neighbourhood plan

COLYTON Parish Council has been told that "much has been achieved" on the neighbourhood plan, despite reports of fall-outs and resignations over the past few months.

Colin Chesterton, chairman of the Colyton Committee, admitted that the Colyford Committee was a "work in progress", but said he was still encouraged by progress made.

"With the work ethos of those on the committee and steering group I am confident that we can complete in 2018."



This newspaper is aware of a recent violent attack on a local resident which caused serious injuries that necessitated hospital treatment. The attack was witnessed by an independent third party. It took two weeks before the injured person was interviewed by the police who decided that no action would be taken.

There was an incident a couple of years ago when an Axminster resident was attacked outside a pub and suffered such severe injuries that a metal plate had to be inserted in his head. His life was in the balance. Again, no action was taken.

Police will argue that we don't know the full facts but it is disturbing to think that such horrific injuries can be inflicted on our streets late at night with no consequence to those who commit such violent acts.

Another newspaper reported last week that late-night revellers in Axminster are making life a misery for town centre residents. They were too frightened to give their names for fear of retribution.

Don't get me wrong, I believe the police do a wonderful job under difficult circumstances, but by their own admission increase in violent incidents are becoming an issue.

PHILIP EVANS

SOUTH SOMERSET

Vouchers offered to improve broadband

SOMERSET residents and businesses with particularly slow broadband connections are offered financial help to upgrade.

The help comes in the shape of vouchers, worth up to £500, under the Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS) scheme.

The vouchers will cover the cost of connecting to an improved broadband service to boost broadband speeds from 2Mbps, or under, to a minimum of 10Mbps.

A CDS spokesperson said: "The scheme will provide a subsidy of up to £500, in the form of a voucher code, to fund the installation of a new broadband connection which will be available for at least the next twelve months.

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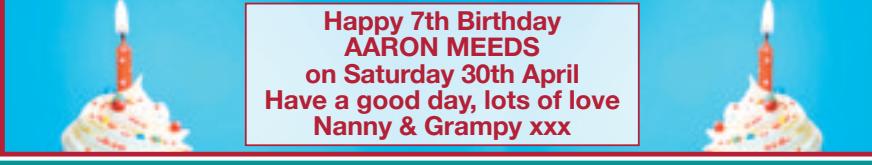
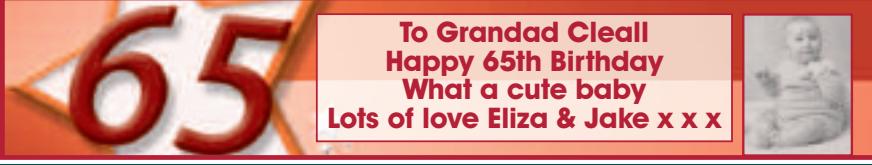
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Second phase of Millbrook flood protection scheme to go ahead

AXMINSTER is part of a £1.3 million Devon County Council flood prevention programme.

The money will be used to complete the second phase of the long-awaited and delayed Millbrook scheme.

Councillor Stuart Hughes, Devon County Council Cabinet Member for Highway Management and Flood Prevention, said: "Phase two of the Millbrook scheme will reduce the risk of flooding for more than 160 properties."

"It involves increasing the size of the existing culvert beneath Willhay Lane and ensuring the downstream watercourse links with the Network Rail culverts and improvements further downstream."

"The phase two design is complete and the contractor is ready to commence work once land issues are finalised, which includes getting agreement from Network Rail, which is necessary when working on or adjacent to the railway."

"It is hoped that construction will start in the summer and is expected to take around six months."

As previously reported, the culvert under Willhay Lane and the railway was identified as a weak spot and in need of an upgrade after the summer flooding of 2012.

Several bodies – including Axminster Town Council, Devon County Council (DCC), the Envi-

ronment Agency, and Network Rail – got involved.

In July 2013 DCC announced that a hydraulic model of the culvert would be designed in partnership with the Environment Agency.

The target was to have an improved culvert in place during 2014, but the initial design posed a flooding risk to third parties downstream.

A new design was drawn up, with the aim of completing the project at some point in 2015.

This did not happen, so a revised start for early this year was set, but there was a further delay.

Councillor Hughes added: "We have made good progress on a number of flood protection schemes and we have carried out a series of assessments that will guide future programmes."

"Flooding can have a devastating impact on people's lives and many communities across Devon need support to reduce flood risk."

"The county council invested £1 million in 2015/16 in support of flood prevention measures and this year we're looking at a further £1.3 million to develop a proactive programme of schemes, while also drawing down external funding."

The total cost of the Millbrook project is about £540,000 according to the county council.

This includes phase one plus all studies, investigations and design work to date.



FUNDRAISING initiatives at Co-op's West Street branch in Axminster amassed £200 for Devon Freewheelers.

Staff and customers organised and supported cake sales, raffles and more to raise the money.

Branch manager James West is pictured presenting the money to John Conway of Devon Freewheelers.

Both praised everyone who had supported the fundraising events, and Mr Conway added:

"Every penny is greatly appreciated."

Devon Freewheelers is a charity based in Honiton providing a blood bike courier service to the NHS with the help of volunteers.

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Paramedics called after Raymonds Hill crash

TWO cars collided on the A35 at Raymonds Hill, near Axminster, last Friday morning (April 22nd).

The accident happened at about 11.30am and paramedics treated one female for chest injuries at the scene. She did not require hospital treatment.

A fire and rescue service spokesperson said all involved were out of the vehicles when firefighters arrived.

The spokesperson added: "Crews made the vehicles safe and carried out scene safety."

Tai chi boost for TIC

AXMINSTER Tourist Information Centre (TIC) will benefit from an annual tai chi event in the town.

Allan Howlings of ABC Tai Chi said: "We will be running our annual world tai chi event at our home at Weycroft Bridge B&B."

"The event will be held on Saturday, April 30th from 10am to 12noon with the opportunity of staying and enjoying a picnic in our grounds down by the river (provide your own picnic).

"This event is suitable for everyone, and chairs will be provided for people with mobility issues.

"We will be offering light refreshments, with all proceeds to the local TIC."

Axe Valley Pedallers' whirlwind trip to France

THE annual Axe Valley Pedallers' excursion attracted almost 20 members.

A total of 18 cyclists wheeled their bikes onto the Friday night Brittany Ferries' sailing from Portsmouth to St Malo, ready to enjoy dinner and a peaceful night's sleep before the challenge ahead.

Despite leaving Britain in snow and hail showers, the group, organised by Anne Roberts, disembarked in sunshine and enjoyed a bright and breezy day, even managing an hour of picnicking and sunbathing on the south-facing and sheltered beach in Cancale.

Some members of the group had not cycled in France before and ability, age and experience varied widely, as did the bikes – including one folding and one electric bike.

by Anders Larsson

AVP member Rob Watson said: "But everyone kept to the correct side of the road and motorists were generally polite."

"Negotiating the traffic and finding room in cafes for a large group of people and bikes was interesting but the French were very accommodating and fun was had by all."

"Boarding for the return trip was thankfully swift and efficient as the chill of the evening closed in, so the expedition was home in time for Sunday lunch."

To join an AVP ride, visit www.axevalleypedallers.org.uk, Facebook, or the noticeboard in The Kings Arms, Seaton.

■ BEACHED: The cyclists were lucky with the weather



■ PORT OF ENTRY: The AVP squad enters France

Praise for improvements in county's social care for children

CHILDREN and Families Minister Edward Timpson has praised progress in children's services in Devon and lifted his formal improvement notice.

He said the services provided to children, young people and their families in Devon have improved significantly and that Devon County Council (DCC) can be an example to other struggling authorities of how to bring about improvement.

Children's social care in Devon was judged to be inadequate two and a half years ago.

Last year inspectors recognised there had been considerable progress but ruled that services still required improvement.

Now, in a letter to county council leader John Hart and the Cabinet Member for children's services, James McInnes, the minister wrote: "It is clear Devon has made good progress in addressing the issues raised in Ofsted's inspection report published in May 2015."

"Overall I am reassured that strong leadership; a shared vision for children's services; success in workforce recruitment; improv-

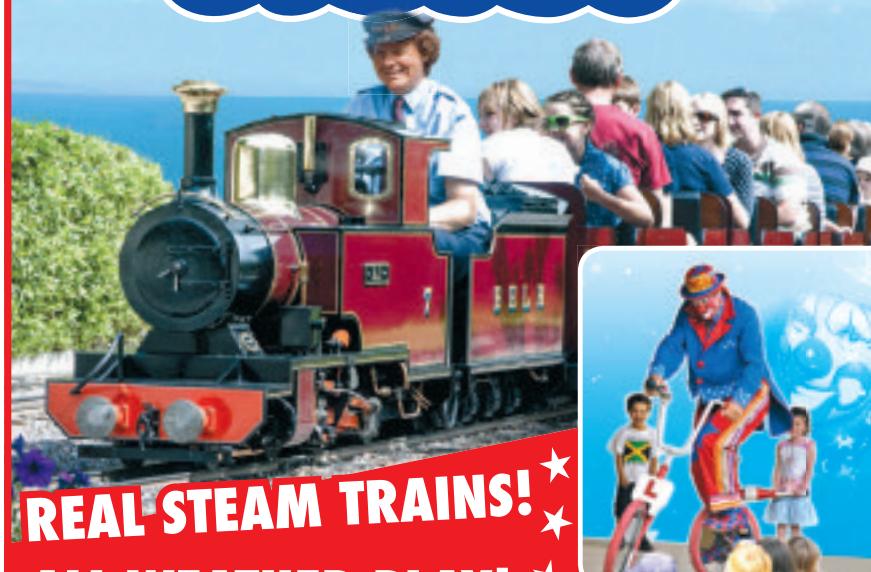
ed audit and quality assurance systems and the more effective use of data has led to an organisation which better understands its strengths and areas for development."

"I want to congratulate you and acknowledge the hard work of leadership, staff and partner organisations in bringing about this change."

Mr Timpson added that the county still needs to embed and sustain its improvements across the service and ensure consistency across the county.

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New Axe Valley headteacher looks to the long term

THE new headteacher at Axe Valley Community College, Steve Green, has stressed that the new partnership is about long-term security for the college and Holyrood Academy in Chard.

Taking over from Martin

Smith, who was in charge for eight years and left just before Easter, Mr Green described the first week as "more about listening and learning than doing".

Mr Green's appointment was announced with news that the college and Holyrood Academy

had formed a management partnership.

At the time of the announcement, Mr Green was vice-principal at Holyrood Academy.

He has moved quickly to quell any fears that the move would see the Axminster college

(about 780 students) playing second fiddle to the larger Chard academy (about 1,250 students).

Mr Green told Pulman's View: "The opportunity for collaboration is fantastic.

"It is not about imposing

Holyrood Academy on Axe Valley Community College, but bringing the best of both together.

"The partnership is about long-term security for both.

"I want to provide the absolute best for the children at Axe Valley."

"Every decision I make will be made in the interest of the children (and their families) at Axe Valley."

He again stressed that the partnership is not a merger.

The partnership is led by the former principal of Holyrood, Martin Brook, who became executive headteacher when the new set-up came into effect.

Asked why he thought he was successful in applying for the job, Mr Green said: "Because I have a great deal of leadership experience from more than one school, both were rated Outstanding by OFSTED when I was there."

"I also come to Axe Valley with the support of a larger organisation that is the partnership.

"I've had an incredibly warm welcome from students and staff. It has been a very welcoming environment."

Before Holyrood Academy, Mr Green was an assistant head at The Kings of Wessex Academy in Cheddar where he had responsibility for Sixth Form.

He was born in Sheffield and lived there for his first year before the family moved to London.

They stayed in the capital until he was



■ SHEFFIELD BOYS: Martin Brook and Steve Green check in at Axminster

11, when they moved to New Forest.

Steve studied theology and philosophy at Cardiff University, after which he spent 10 years in leisure management.

He also spent a year in New Zealand selling wine before embarking on a teaching career with a Masters in leadership of innovation in education at University of Warwick.

He is married with two children of primary school age.

The family also has a golden retriever and Steve is a keen runner, regularly tackling half-Marathons and the odd triathlon.

Mr Brook, also from Sheffield, said: "I know Steve possesses exactly the right skills and experience to take on the role and I very much look forward to developing the college with him in this capacity."

"Working like this, in partnership with an outstanding school, is a tried and tested method with significant benefits for all parties concerned."

"Students and staff will undoubtedly be able to take advantage of wider opportunities in our efforts to secure the very best futures for everyone."

Blood pressure check



■ PRESSURISED: Rotarians Martin King, John Bellamy and Barrie Castle (back) with Adrian Taylor, Mark Ellis and Carol Enticott

THE Rotary Club of Axminster's annual blood pressure check session attracted 125 people.

Rotarian Martin King said: "The event is run in conjunction with The Stroke Association to make people aware of the importance of regular blood pressure checks."

"The location was the Minster Church, which always proves to be

an excellent venue and, with the encouragement of Rotary members and our wonderful town crier, 125 people availed themselves of a blood pressure test.

"Some 12 people were advised to see their doctor for a formal check up and everyone much appreciated having their awareness raised of the importance of blood

pressure tests.

"The club was indebted to Gill Cottrill (retired nurse), Ruth Waterhouse (Rotarian and retired nurse) and trainee paramedic Mark Ellis for operating the blood pressure testing machines, which had kindly been provided by the Axminster Medical Practice."

Barn fire limited

FIREFIGHTERS and a farmer managed to limit the damage when straw kept in a barn at Cooks Lane, Axminster, caught fire.

The alarm was raised in the early afternoon of Wednesday, April 13th, and a spokesperson for the fire and rescue service said: "Appliances from Axminster, Colyton, Charmouth and the water carrier from Danes Castle in Exeter were mobilised.

"A barn, approximately 25 metres by 10 metres, was involved in fire.

"The barn contained 20 tonnes of loose straw and cattle bedding, and the fire involved approximately five per cent of the straw.

"Crews worked with the farmer to remove the contents of the barn to the open air.

"They then used one hose reel jet and drag forks to damp down the straw.



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Flamingo Pool coffee morning nets £300

DEDICATED Flamingo Pool volunteers worked tirelessly to make a coffee morning successful, raising £300 for the Axminster facility.

The event was held in Church Rooms, and volunteer Shirley Parris (pictured) was among those putting in a lot of hard work.

Flamingo Pool manager Steve Buxton said: "We would like to thank all of the volunteers who have tirelessly helped to make this event a success, especially Shirley Parris who has been fundraising with complete dedication for Flamingo Pool, since its concept."

He also thanked Helen Pettit for taking time off work to make the tea and coffee, Angela Farrant for selling cakes, Beryl Barr, Mary Kilroy, Dawn Blandamer Kearney for donating delicious cakes and preserves, Diana Church and Jane Thompson for selling raffle tickets in the cold, Richard Peacock for selling books, Alison Vickers for helping to organise the event and Elaine Voysey for clearing up the aftermath.

He said: "Without your help and commitment, we would not be able to provide such fantastic facilities to our local community."



Mayor's charities

AXMINSTER Mayor Douglas Hull will donate his expenses to two charities in the town, The Project and Charity Togs.

The sum involved was not mentioned but the announcement was made during a meeting of Axminster Town Council on Monday, April 11th.

Councillor Mayor Hull said: "What I would have had in my pocket for expenses, I will give to causes in the town."

The Project helps young people with mental health issues and Charity Togs is Axminster Care Service's shop.

Marie Curie coffee result

THE Marie Curie Axminster and Seaton Fundraising Group coffee morning on Friday, April 7th raised £225, proving to be the most successful so far.

The event was held in Church Rooms, Axminster, and group founder Sandy Sinclair said: "This was largely due to the fantastic range of cakes on sale, and the hard work of a few volunteers.

"More volunteers are going to be needed for bigger events this year, and the need for the services of our brilliant nurses grows continually.

"If you can help out in any way, however minor, please contact me on 01297 33655."

Cemetery pathway to be reconsidered

THE idea of creating a new pathway at Axminster Cemetery will be revisited later in the year.

Speaking at Axminster Annual Parish meeting, town council cemetery committee chairman councillor Sue Spiller said: "We do understand that, unfortunately, it can become wet underfoot at times of very heavy rain, and improvements have been made to the underground drainage systems in recent years.

"However, as the area is prone to the rise of natural springs, it would be impossible to alleviate the problem completely.

"We have previously looked into the possibility of creating a pathway within the newest part of the cemetery (the Z section), but the cost was thought to be prohibitive.

"However, later this year we will look again at the financial viability of creating a footpath within this area."

Free cakes at market's 40th anniversary party

CAKES will be given away to celebrate Axminster Country Market's 40th and the Queen's 90th birthday.

The 40th birthday party will take place during the market on Thursday, May 26th in The Masonic Hall.

Patricia Bruzon of Axminster Country Market said: "We will be giving away a free cupcake to all customers on that day."

"The market would particularly like to be joined by former members on that day and would like to extend a warm welcome to them and their customers to come along and say hello."

She added: "The market will be celebrating the Queen's birthday with an indoor street party in the hall during the morning on June 9th."

"Come and enjoy a piece of cake and a cuppa on the house to celebrate this special occasion."

Photography group has new cup winner

JULIAN Shaw is the winner of Axminster Photography Group's Thirkettle Cup 2016.

The Thirkettle Cup is an annual competition for Axminster Photography Group members.

Julian (left) is photographed accepting the cup from competition judge Barry Welch.

A R Thirkettle Photographic was located in South Street, Axminster.

It was one of the longest established businesses in the town, but ceased trading in February 2010 after more than 40 years.

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Rescued bat released back into the wild

A DAUBENTON'S bat has been treated and released after struggling at Seaton Wetlands Nature Reserve.

On Sunday, March 13th, a bird-watcher at the East Devon District



CARING: Bethan Withey looks after the bat

Council-run facility saw a bat flying around the pond.

The bat, which should have been hibernating, was clearly distressed and was flying into things.

The bird watcher was concerned and informed volunteers John and Judith Richards, who were manning the Discovery Hut.

The three sheltered the bat as best they could while trying to contact a local bat carer.

EDDC Countryside Team

Leader Steve Edmonds was contacted and he put them in touch with bat carer Bethan Withey, who arrived to collect and transport the bat, which was treated to mealworm and water to regain its strength.

Ms Richards said: "It was clear that the poor thing had been disturbed from hibernation. It could

not find anything to eat and was very weak.

"On March 16th, Bethan called me and we tried to release the bat, which we christened Derek.

"However, it knew a good thing with all its free food and refused to leave.

"On Friday, March 25th, Good Friday, we tried to release the bat

again.

"This time success, as we watched Derek join several pipistrelles at his home in Seaton Wetlands, it certainly was a good Friday."

The moment of release was recorded on video and is on the East Devon Countryside Facebook page.

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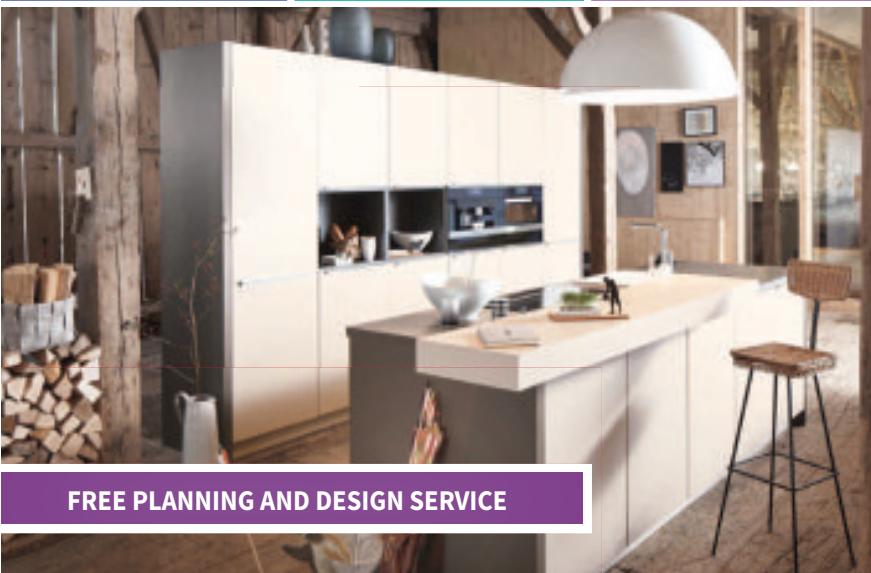
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■ ST MICHAEL'S Church in Beer hosted its first coffee morning and table top sale inside the re-configured interior which was completed last

year – and raised £278 in the process.

Among the team for the Alter Guild, who organised the event, were (from left to

right): The Reverend Jeremy Trew, Gayle Chapple, Jenny Ross, Sue Ball, Charlene Court, Pat Bewick and Yvonne Hawker.



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Jayne's aiming for the moon and back

WHEN Jayne Aplin was offered the chance to see the sights of London and raise money for breast cancer research she leapt at the chance, writes KEVIN FAHEY.

That was the good news; the bad news was that Jayne would have to see all the sights by foot as the charity fund-raiser on Saturday, May 14th is the popular MoonWalk London event, which is a 26.2 amble through the city – at nighttime.

"We set off from Clapham Common at 11pm and walk through the night before finishing back at Clapham eight or ten hours later," said Jayne.

"Along the way we go through Battersea Park, then along the Embankment to Tower Bridge, across the Thames to St Paul's, through St James's Park, along to Buckingham Palace and into Hyde Park."

Jayne said she is walking in memory of her mum who died from breast cancer 30 years ago and admitted the MoonWalk will probably be even harder than running the Grizzly, which she has also done for charity.

"It is a charity close to my heart and I know a lot of friends who have been touched by it to various degrees," added Jayne.

"I know it is going to be very tough."

But she is putting in some good training, walking from her home in Beer to her job at Hansfords Funeral Services in Seaton as often as she can.

"I have also got in some longer walks of 15 to 20 miles at weekends so hopefully that should help and while walking through the night with no

sleep will be hard it will be worthwhile."

Jayne is hoping to raise £500; if you'd like to sponsor her visit: <http://bit.ly/1MJYhup>



■ GETTING READY: Jayne Aplin

Cream tea at Mariners' Hall

BEER Horticultural Society will be holding a cream tea in the Mariners' Hall today (Tuesday, April 26th) from 2pm to 4.30pm.

All are welcome to attend.

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Town council hosts first meeting at its new venue

MARSHLANDS proved how useful its extra capacity will be when Seaton Town Council hosted its first public meeting at the new venue.

The Annual Town Meeting was the first public event to be held by the town council at Marshlands.

It was held on Monday April 18th, and about 50 people attended – a number which the previous meeting room in the town hall could not have accommodated.

Seaton mayor Tony Woodman said: "We are sat

here tonight in the town council's new building which was bought from Devon County Council at a greatly knocked down price.

"As well as being the headquarters of the town council, this building will become the focus of a great deal in Seaton and will benefit the whole community once it is fully operational.

"This will be a tremendous asset for the town and I thank those councillors who did all the initial work to make it happen."

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Minister praises progress in children's services

CHILDREN'S Minister Edward Timpson has praised progress in children's services in Devon and lifted his formal improvement notice.

He said the services provided to children, young people and their families in Devon have improved significantly and that Devon County Council (DCC) can be an example to other struggling authorities of how to bring about improvement.

Children's social care in Devon was judged to be inadequate two and a half years ago.

Last year inspectors recog-

nised there had been considerable progress but ruled that services still required improvement.

Now, in a letter to county council leader John Hart and the Cabinet Member for children's services, James McInnes, the minister wrote: "It is clear Devon has made good progress in addressing the issues raised in Ofsted's inspection report published in May 2015.

"Overall I am reassured that strong leadership, a shared vision for children's services; success in workforce recruit-

ment; improved audit and quality assurance systems and the more effective use of data has led to an organisation which better understands its strengths and areas for development.

"I want to congratulate you and acknowledge the hard work of leadership, staff and partner organisations in bringing about this change.

Mr Timpson added that the county still needs to embed and sustain its improvements across the service and ensure consistency across the county.

Police 101 service 'improved'

by Anders Larsson
anders@viewnews.co.uk

DEVON and Cornwall Police has made a "significant improvement" to its 101 non-emergency phone service.

Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Tony Hogg, who is stepping down from the post in May, demanded urgent action after frequent complaints about long waiting times.

In January this year, Mr Hogg insisted on immediate action, saying his review into the service highlighted "a poor state" of affairs.

To help those tasked with improving the service, he made £250,000 available.

The most recent figures, for a two-week period, show that, on average, calls transferred to the

"I am heartened to see the significant improvement in 101 call handling over recent weeks," said Mr Hogg.

"I pay tribute to the considerable efforts of police staff, and my own office, who have worked hard to deliver this improvement. The service that has been achieved over the past fortnight is what the public deserve."

"I have been frustrated over the past four years continually hearing from the public about these long waiting times. I hope that we have now turned a corner and that the chief constable will be able to maintain these improved service standards."

"I am certain that the next PCC will wish to make this a priority in

Force Enquiry Centre (FEC) are answered in less than three minutes.

In addition, for the same period, less than one in 10 calls wait more than 10 minutes to be answered.

Mr Hogg's office first reported on the 101 service in December 2014, the average waiting time for calls transferred to the Force Enquiry Centre was four minutes 17 seconds.

But in January 2016, there had been an increase to eight minutes 24 seconds, with 32 per cent of calls not being answered within 10 minutes.

Big donation for Ambulance trust

DEVON Air Ambulance Trust (DAAT) has received a bumper donation from The Freemasons of Devonshire.

Provincial Grand Master the Rt. W. Bro Ian Kingsbury – accompanied by his wife Toni and W. Bro. Barry White, the Provincial Grand Charity Steward – visited the DAAT offices in Exeter on Tuesday, April 5th.

They presented DAAT with a £4,000 cheque on behalf of The Freemasons' Grand Charity.

This makes a total of £47,000 presented by The Freemasons' Grand Charity since 2007, and more

than £105,000 when adding presentations made by individual lodges throughout Devon in the same period.

Rt. W. Bro. Ian Kingsbury said he was delighted to be continuing the donations given by the Freemasons creating a continuing and valuable link between the organisations.

He is proud to be part of an organisation which helped to support air ambulance services throughout the country. Freemasons of Devonshire spokesperson Clive Eden said: "Without ours and many other supporters of these vital services many more lives would be at risk."

"Sarah Burden and Tracy Owen, from DAAT, told us that it costs around £5.5 million each year to maintain this valuable service."

"This year, the charity will commence night flight by extending operational hours to midnight."

"DAAT is delighted to have received continual generous support from the Freemasons of the Province of Devonshire and the Grand Charity."



GENEROSITY: R.W. Bro Barry White, Toni Kingsbury, Tracy Owen, Rt. W. Bro. Ian Kingsbury with DAAT mascot Ambrose

their early weeks of office."

Since the PCC published his second report on the 101 service in January the chief constable has established a gold group, comprising experts from across the police force and his office, to ensure im-

mediate improvements.

Andrew White, the chief executive of the PCC's office, said: "The underlying technology that supports the control room and contact centre still needs to be upgraded."

"This improvement has been achieved through a better management focus and diverting resources to these important tasks. It is early days, but, if this effort can continue, I hope that the improved performance can be maintained."

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The Shelters and the Cobb Gate car park are venues for free performances all weekend including a rap artist, story tellers, Darwin and Mary Anning, and Iggy (street theatre in a giant Iguanodon) – premiering at the festival. On Sunday a free Seaside Singing Samba workshop using materials found on the beach to make music.

NB : Friday is schools day, many activities will be very busy
Ticketed events – tickets can be purchased in advance from Lyme Regis TIC 01297 442138

Friday

4pm Fossil walk, £5 (under 5's free)

Saturday

10am - 3pm Undercliffs Walk, £6
3pm Fossil walk in Charmouth, £7.50

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4pm Fossil walk, £5 (under 5's free)

Time TBA Mary Anning Walk, £7.75 adults, (children and students £4.00), bookings 01297 443370

Sunday

9.30am Monmouth beach Fossil Hunt, £6

9.30am – 11.30am Great Dorset Beach Clean, Cobb Beach, FREE

4.30pm Fossil walk in Charmouth, £7.50

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Workshops

Saturday

10.30am, 12pm, 1.45pm, 3pm Stop-motion animated Dinosaur Workshops, The Hub, £5 (pay on door)

3pm Jurassic Games on the beachfront, FREE

Sunday

11am Story of Life Workshop, Langmoor Room, Shelters, seafront, £3

12.30pm Seaside Samba Workshop, Shelters, FREE

2pm Elliot's Arctic Surprise - workshop, Langmoor Room, Shelters, seafront, £3

3pm Jurassic Games on the beachfront, FREE

Talks: The Masonic Hall, a fantastic series of talks on Geology, environment and sustainability on the Friday and Fossils, fossil finders and thinkers on the Saturday. £3 per talk or £10 for an evening. Richard Edmonds gives the final talk on Sunday afternoon at 2pm – Fossils of the Jurassic Coast.

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BOASTING luxury lodge accommodation and first-class facilities, the new Hawkchurch Resort & Spa opened last year on the Devon and Dorset border.

A hidden gem just outside the quaint village of Hawkchurch, the resort is surrounded by the tranquil countryside of the Axe Valley while only being a few minutes away from the spectacular Jurassic Coast.

Owned by Darwin Escapes, which operates 16 resorts across the country and aims to raise the bar of the UK holiday industry, Hawkchurch Resort & Spa underwent extensive redevelopment last year. I had been keen to try out the facilities since its opening and decided to bring along my mum for a spa day.

As soon as we walked in the door I knew we were in for a treat; the resort is finished to the highest quality and oozes relaxation and indulgence.

We were taken through to the Moroccan-theme Ezina Spa and received a warm welcome from our therapists. The peaceful spa offers an array of treatments available to both men and women, including manicures, pedicures and full body treatments.

I found it a great personal touch that the expert therapists took their time to find out what our emotional and physical needs were before treatments, and I was able to choose the product which best suited me for my back and neck massage from the Aromatherapy Associates range - a British brand which specialises in harnessing the healing powers of the finest natural ingredients, purest extracts and essential oils in their products.

Whether you want to relax and de-stress or need an invigorating boost of energy, the product range offered something for every-

REVIEW

Hawkchurch Resort & Spa

By Francesca Evans

one and means that treatments can be truly tailored to you. I chose the Light Relax oil and relax I did; the stresses and tensions of work and everyday life quickly slipped away on the massage table.

Mum enjoyed a facial, again suited to her personal needs using Aromatherapy Associates' skincare range, and we both treated ourselves to a manicure using Jessica nail products, a range focused on nail nutrition which left us looking perfectly polished.

After our treatments it was time to try out the spa's hydrotherapy pool, which boasts spectacular views across the Axe Valley. The pool is specially-designed to improve circulation and relax the tension in your muscles with a variety of jets and showers. It is heated to a higher temperature than normal pools and is also fairly shallow, so non-swimmers can also benefit from the effects.

The spa facilities, open to over 16s, also include a steam room and sauna, full changing facilities and showers with complimentary Aromatherapy Associates products, and a state-of-the-art gym which also offers fitness classes such as pilates and yoga.

Having chilled out in the pool and tummies rumbling, mum and I moved on to the resort's very own restaurant, The Beeches. Open to both resort guests and the general public, the restaurant's mouthwatering menu and designer décor are surely a recipe for success. Under the expertise of head chef Luke Richards, The Beeches restaurant offers many classic dishes with a modern twist.

After enjoying a glass of Prosecco each from the well-stocked bar, I opted for the

macaroni with smoked bacon, finished with a crispy crumb, garlic ciabatta and dressed leaves - a real rich treat for a cheese-lover such as myself! Mum went for the much healthier option of salmon salad niçoise, accompanied by a side of sweet potato fries (which I also couldn't resist picking at), and her fish was cooked perfectly.

We finished with two of the well-presented desserts - a dark chocolate mousse served with honeycomb and berries, and a coconut panna cotta served with pistachio and apricot granola and mango sorbet.

As well as the main dishes, the restaurant offers a selection of sandwiches for those looking for a lighter option after enjoying time in the spa. The evening menu includes dishes such as fillet of beef, slow roast belly of pork or pan fried cod, pink peppercorn and smoked haddock potato cake, as well as vegetarian options, and the Sunday lunch menu looked delicious and is something I'd definitely like to make a return visit for.

Mum and I walked off our lunch with a look around the site before returning home. The grounds are maintained beautifully and the luxury lodges discreetly fit in with their natural surroundings.

Lodge accommodation, sleeping between two and eight people, comes with comfortable living areas, private decking and fully-fitted kitchens to ensure you have everything you need for a self-catering holiday. Some also come with their own private outdoor hot tub and full-sized baths.

So if you're looking to relax and rejuvenate - whether for a one-off treat, a special occasion or a holiday - Hawkchurch Resort & Spa could be the perfect destination for you. For more information visit the website www.darwinescapes.co.uk/parks/hawkchurch-resort-spa/



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Guildhall: no wiser

■ FURTHER to your report on the front page of your paper last week, even in this age of openness and transparency, we are still no wiser about the size of the discrepancy between the hirings and receipts at the Guildhall. Perhaps a Freedom of Information request will provide clarification. An efficient audit trail should demonstrate exactly what is missing and from where.

**SUE TICEHURST,
Axminster**

Support for show

■ OH What a Night! (It really was.)

It was a great pleasure to bring Oh What a Night! to Axminster Guildhall earlier this month which performed to a near capacity audience.

We very much appreciated the help which was received with regard to the promotion of this show and would like to thank the following: Archway Bookshop, Creative Design, Pulman's View From Newspapers, Axminster Town Council and members of Axminster Musical Theatre.

The Guildhall is a great venue for musical events such as ours and it clearly enjoys loyal support from residents in Axminster and the surrounding area. We certainly hope to return next year.

Finally sincere thanks to all who gave so generously to the Meet and Remember charity draw which realised over £300.

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Exciting developments

■ DEAR fellow of citizens of Seaton, isn't it great to see so many new and exciting developments in our fair town?

Jurassic Park, oops sorry Visitors Centre, the delightful Hideaway Café and the fantastic children's play area at the Underfleet, are making the town a great place for us residents, oldish, young and of course visitors to savour.

We should also remember the forthcoming eatery Flipside and the future Premier Inn that all will help take Seaton to a higher level and allow us to compete on a favourable level for visitors' time and money.

All the above are setting a benchmark and are helping to create an environment that will raise the 'feel good factor' in the grand town of 'Seaton by the Sea'.

Sorry to end on downer but it was sadly reported that some vile graffiti was written on a picnic bench in Underfleet children's play area. This has since been removed.

**ERIC BOWMAN,
Seaton**

Prioritise potholes

■ POTHOLES - again! Government funding gives the South West the largest slice of entire country - £8.4million - how much will Seaton get?

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**SARAH BEVAN,
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Gardens open

KILMINGTON: Six private gardens and the allotments will be open for the afternoons of May 7th and 8th, 1.30pm-5pm.

Proceeds will be shared between Kilmington Village Hall and St. Giles' Church.

Paul Dunsford of Kilmington Gardening Club said: "Round off your visit with a delicious tea at The Acorn where live music will be playing."

Tickets (£5 combined entrance, children free) are available from the village hall, participating gardens during the weekend, or in advance from Paul Dunsford. Tickets may be used on both afternoons.

More information is available from Mr Dunsford on 01297 33563 or online at www.kvpa.co.uk

ALL SAINTS: At the April meeting the Committee was elected and a new President for the coming year. On Saturday, May 7th we are holding our Plant Sale and Coffee Morning in the Village Hall from 10am to 12 noon. Cakes will also be on sale and a great raffle.

Next meeting on Tuesday, May 10th at 7.30pm in All

Bowls season begins



CHARDSTOCK BOWLING CLUB

The new season got under way with club president John Rolph bowling the first wood just after 2pm on Saturday, April 16th, to declare the season open.

Prior to that, club chairman

Derek Eldridge welcomed all players in the clubhouse and thanked those who had helped prepare the facilities.

Members posed for a team photo (pictured) before trying out the green for the first time this year.

Minister's visit

DALWOOD: The Minister of State for Housing and Planning, Brandon Lewis, visited the Community Land Trust (CLT) development in the village.

A CLT is non-profit set-up which supports the development of community-led affordable housing projects.

Mr Lewis visited to find out more about the scheme, tour the homes and hear how those involved worked with an affordable housing provider in the to meet housing need in the village.

The new development at Dalwood consists of six homes; two two-bedroom shared ownership



houses, two two-bed affordable rent houses and two one-bedroom affordable rent flats.

It was developed in conjunction with housing provider Yarlington Housing Group, from initial development discussions in late 2011 through to handover in 2015.

The Dalwood planning application was approved unanimously in July 2013 – a result of the significant amount of public consultation carried out by both Yarlington and the CLT to ensure the homes were designed in collaboration with the community.

Women's Institutes round up

Saints Village Hall. Mark Seagalutz will talk about sourcing and preparing fish. Visitors welcome.

BEER: Members voted for the NFWI Resolutions for the AGM in Brighton. Branch AGM, for members only, is also in May.

Sioux White spoke about two of Beer's lace makers. Jan Smith brought a selection of her lace collection.

Lunch is at the Dolphin Hotel. Coffee in Sidmouth.

East Devon District Council has agreed to take over the upkeep of the WI plots in the Jubilee Gardens.

Upcoming fund-raiser, 'Drive Safer for Longer'.

Guests welcome again in June, details on notice-board.

COLYTON: Kevin White spoke on The History of Fans.

There will be a visit to working mill and walk at Otterton and 'Cakes fit for a Queen' on 11 June.

Resolutions for Brighton: 'Avoid food waste, address food poverty' and 'Appropriate care in hospitals for people with dementia'. Brenda Clark delegate.

Competitions: Fans: 1st Brenda Clark, special mention Francine, Flower: 1st Brenda Clark, 2nd Jean Underdown, 3rd Joan McDougal.

Meetings are on the third Tuesday in month at St John's Hall, Colyton at 2.15 pm. Visitors welcome.



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Members working hard towards the 10 year celebration

THE members of CLOKS have all been rehearsing hard and looking forward to their forthcoming 10 Year celebration concerts this coming Friday and Saturday at the Guildhall, Chard.

Despite the pressure of exams and preparing to go to university some of our senior members have given up their valuable time to contribute to the success of the concerts.

As well as rehearsing for the two concerts they have also been busy taking part in rehearsals for their summer production 'A Kiss Card from Walter' which is based on a true local story set at the beginning of the 20th century – more news on that later!

Tickets are going fast – they are available from John Barron's, Holyrood Street, Chard.



CLOKS reminisce for special 10 year anniversary concert

CLOKS (Chard Local Kids Society for Music and Drama) celebrates 10 years with a special anniversary concert. The concert will include at least one musical number from every main show that CLOKS has performed since 'Annie' in 2006. CLOKS is using this opportunity to reminisce some of the best moments over the past 10 years and has welcomed back some of its past members to be involved. The concert will end with a medley of songs from 'Les Misérables' and the grand finale 'Sing' by Gary Barlow and Andrew Lloyd-Webber.

Obviously, the children are the main focus of this concert and they have all worked extremely hard to put this concert together. For our newer members it has been a challenge to learn so many new songs but for many members of the cast it has simply been a case of remembering how they did it last time!

However, there are also a whole host of adults that work together to make these shows as fabulous as they are. Huge thanks have to go to Mary Tucker, our rehearsal pianist. Mary is incredibly patient, extremely talented and has without doubt become part of the family that has developed over the years. Jonathan Farey must be thanked for his contribution as Musical Director and has been assisted in recent years by Jemima, who was a member of CLOKS from the start and has joined in for the concert. The biggest thanks of all should go to Maria Farey, without whom none of this would be possible! She puts in so many extra hours of work to choreograph song numbers, set scenes and simply work out how each member of the rapidly growing cast can all fit on the stage at once! She is the glue that holds the family together and we all love her very much.

This night will be a celebration of fun, love and happiness. An amazing bunch of children come together to provide you with an evening's entertainment you will never forget. The performances will take place on Friday 29th April and Saturday 30th April 2016 in the Guildhall, Chard, at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from Barons, Chard and are £8 for adults and £5 for concessions (children, students & over 60s). Come along to support and be part of this extremely special celebration of Musical Theatre.

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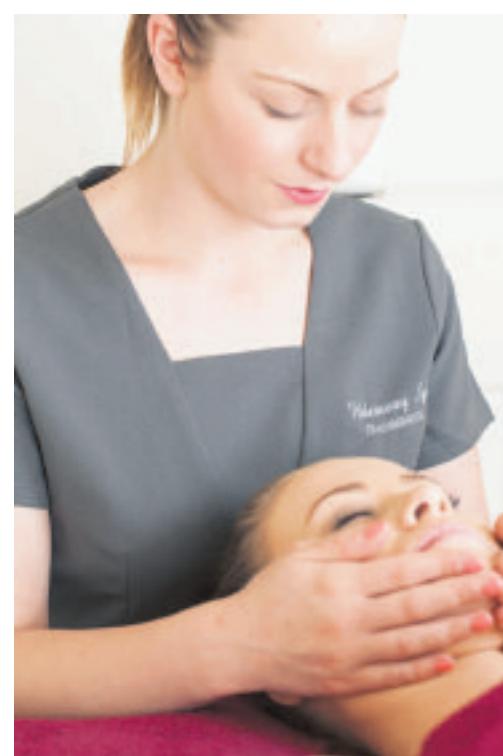
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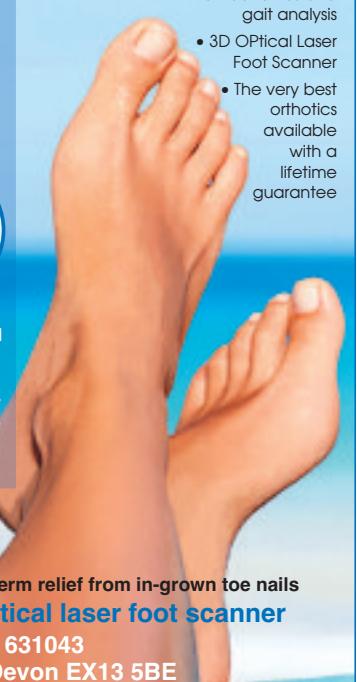


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Val used to experience RSI and tried Acupuncture to see if it could help. Acupuncture completely cured Val's RSI and being so impressed Val decided to train in Acupuncture.

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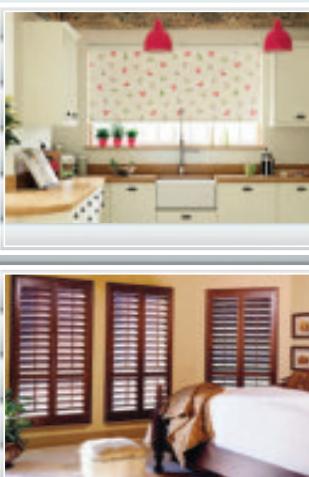
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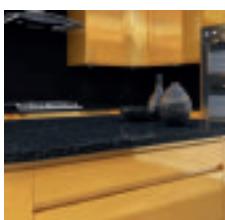


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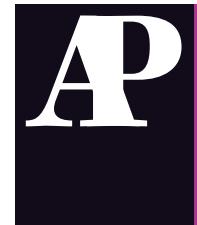
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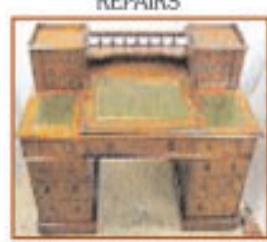
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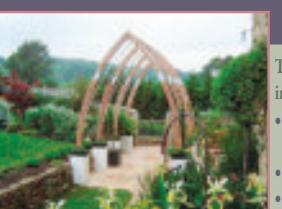
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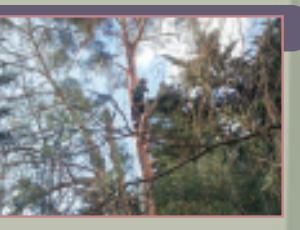
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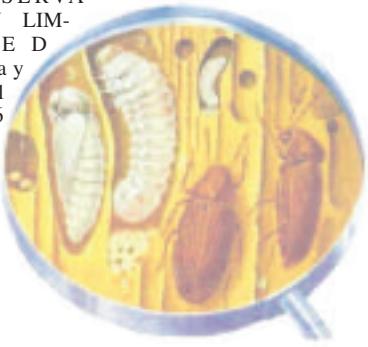
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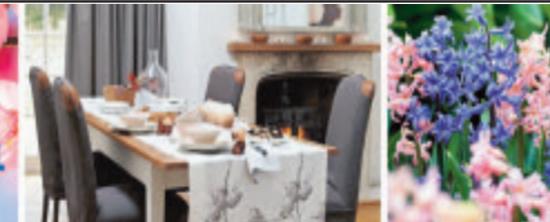
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Diary Dates

TUESDAY APRIL 26TH

SIDMOUTH: All Saints Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice SouthWest, 2.30pm. Every fourth Tuesday of the month. 01395 577122

HONITON: Hospiscare Bargain Sale at Mackarness Hall, 9am-12noon. Homemade refreshments served.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1 per session. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away meals are available.

CREWKERNE: Computer Group at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon

WEDNESDAY APRIL 27TH

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society talk, Organic Vegetable Growing given by Brian Hesketh, who has been growing organically for more than 20 years. There will also be the Chairman's Flowering Bulb competition for potted or cut flowers from bulbs – bring your best flowers along. The talk starts at 7:30 in Uplyme Village Hall, members free, visitors £3, and refreshments will be available before and afterwards.

SEATON: Talk by Michael Pritchard "Pecorama – The First 70 Years". At Seaton Men's Probus, Methodist Church Hall, Scalwell Lane, Seaton, 10am.

CREWKERNE: Bingo – Cash prizes – "eyes down" at 2.30pm at Henhayes Centre.

THURSDAY APRIL 28TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colyton-history.co.uk or www.colytonheritagecentre.org

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members.

HONITON: Nostalgic cinema at the Beehive: 'Some Like It Hot'. Everyone welcome. 2pm-4.30pm. All tickets £3.50 to include hot drink, biscuits and chat in the cafe after the show.

FRIDAY APRIL 29TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866

AXMINSTER: ¿Necesitas ayuda con el Inglés? Besoin d'aide avec l'anglais? Aveți nevoie de ajutor cu limba engleză? Do you want to improve your spoken English for social or work situations? Free classes will be taking place every Friday from 9.30 to 10.30 am in the Arts Cafe in Axminster. These sessions are open to everyone and newcomers are always welcome.

CREWKERNE: Charity Bingo Night at Henhayes Centre – 7 for 7.30pm organised by Rotary Club of Crewkerne District in aid of the Centre's Memory Group. £6 for book of tickets + £2 optional specials. All prizes donated by local businesses. Bar open.

SEATON: Seaton Beer and District Branch RNLI May-day Appeal Collection, 9am-6pm at Tesco Seaton. Bring a Decorated Wellington Boot Competition. "Welly Art" Competition. Bring a drawing, painting or collage of a wellington boot. Competition open to all ages. Entries to be at Tesco by 4.30pm. Prizes for best entries. Further details can be obtained by emailing wac500@hotmail.co.uk

SATURDAY APRIL 30TH

SIDMOUTH: Glorious Spring in green yellow and purple! Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. At Stowford Centre, 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on the door, £6.

BETTISCOMBE: 50/50 Auction at Bettiscombe Village Hall 7pm. Auctioneer, Mr James Rowe. Cash sales only. Light refreshments available. The Hall will be open Friday 29 April 10am to 4pm to receive items for Auction (sorry no electrical goods) and for viewing on Saturday 30th from 2pm. For further details telephone 01297 678370 or 01297 678319

UPLYME: Jumble Sale at Uplyme Village Hall, 2pm. Raising money for Hawkchurch C of E Primary School. Clothes, toys, nearly new, books, bric a brac etc. Tea and coffee available. Donations of goods on the day please to the village hall (11am - 1pm)

BETTISCOMBE: 50/50 Auction at Bettiscombe Village Hall, 7pm. Auctioneer Mr James Rowe. Cash sales only, light refreshments available. The Hall will be open Friday 29 April 10am to 4pm to receive items for Auction (sorry no electrical goods) and for viewing on Saturday 30th from 2pm. For further

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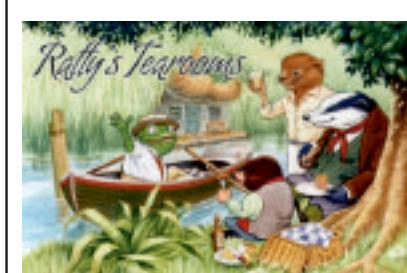
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HONITON: Craft & Table Top Sale at the Three Tuns, from 10am. Organised by Bizzy Fingers Craft Group supporting "Force" Cancer Charity. Tel: 01297 21508 for more details

CREWKERNE: Breakfast/ Brunch at Henhayes Centre. 10 – 12noon. (last orders 11.30am) Basic Breakfast £4 plus add ons at 50p each.

OFFWELL: Quiz Night to raise funds for the Offwell Woodland and Wildlife Trust. Doors open at 7 p.m. with the quiz starting promptly at 7.30. Popular local Quiz Master Max Pipe will be asking the questions. A Ploughman's Supper will be served during the evening. Bring your own drinks. Teams of 4 - 6 people at £5 per head. Call 01404 831019 or 831924 for further details. Please book beforehand to help with catering requirements.

UPLYME: Jumble Sale at Uplyme Vilalge Hall, 2pm. Entry 50p, children free. For jumble donations please call 01297 678 538. Proceeds to Hawkchurch Primary School PTFA.

AXMOUTH: Mega Breakfast 8.30 until 1pm Axmouth Village Hall. Hosted by Friends of Axmouth Church and Village Hall Committee

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MONDAY MAY 2ND

SEATON: Esplanade Sale from 8am to 4pm – Various charities have stalls including Cancer Research UK selling bric-a-brac, plants, tombola ect.

SEATON: Craft & Table Top Sale, from 10.30am. At Winstons, Harbour Road. Organised by Bizzy Fingers Craft Group supporting "Force" Cancer Charity. Tel: 01297 21508 for more details

HAWKCHURCH: Antiques & Collectables Fair from 11:30am to 3pm at the Fairwater Head Hotel. Free entrance and light refreshments available.

AXMOUTH: May Day Celebration at Combe Farm, Axmouth EX12 3DU from 2-5pm. Dance round the Maypole with live music, sing in the Spring, walk the Spiral amid the apple blossom, see our 'Woollen Woods' display in the Community Woodland Orchard, enjoy Children's activities & crafts, explore the library in the Sanctuary, buy some second-hand books, give yourself a little healing and of course enjoy our wonderful teas, cakes and the famous nettle scones! For more details call 01297 23822.

TUESDAY MAY 3RD

AXMINSTER: Axminster Probus Club for retired and semi-retired business and professional men meets at 10.00 for 10.30am in a private room at the A35 Pit Stop, Gammons Hill, Kilmington for a talk by Tony Simpson on 'Slave Traders in Devon' and an optional lunch. For further details ring 01460 220528.

CHARD: Chard Ladies' Evening Guild will have a talk by Martin Wale on life as a London policeman. All very welcome to join us at 7.30 at Manor Court School.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1 per session. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away meals are available.

CREWKERNE: Computer Group at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon

CREWKERNE: Knitting/ sewing group. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for sale in the Centre. 2 – 4pm.

TUESDAY MAY 3RD – TUESDAY JUNE 28TH

AXMOUTH: Woollen Woods Art Installation in the Community Woodland Orchard, Combe Farm, Axmouth EX12 3DU. The 'Woollen Woods' is a fun way to bring craft and nature together and is part of an annual UK wide celebration each May organised by Voluntary Arts Week. You can come and visit our display in the Woodland Orchard any time through the signed gate off Higher Lane in Axmouth. Family Activity sheets will be available in the shelter.

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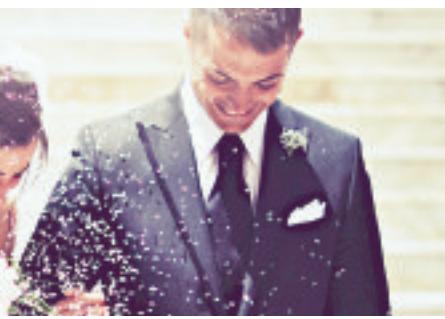
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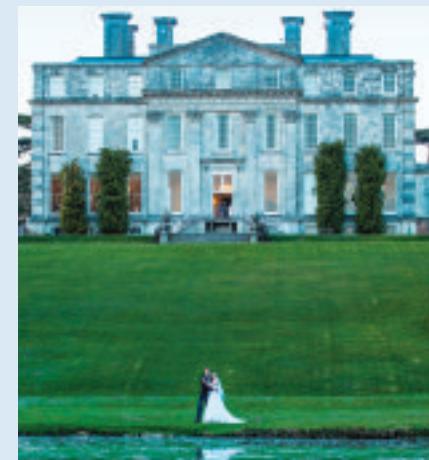
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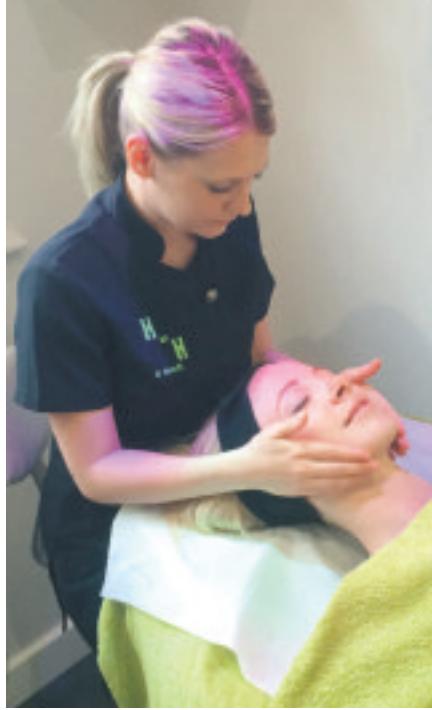
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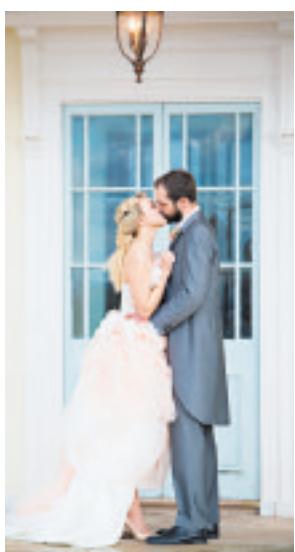
airy feel; making it the perfect space for the wedding breakfast. Led by the venue's own experienced Head Chef, there are a beautiful range of dishes, lovingly prepared using the finest ingredients for you to select from.

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Staring at a massive 'to-do-list' before your big day can be incredibly overwhelming. Especially when all you want is to create the perfect day for the beginning of the rest of your life, with your loved one to be! So we have broken down the top 10 key elements, to put your mind at ease. So put your feet up, and dream BIG!

1. Budget: Budget equals scary for a lot of people. But all you need to do is think realistically and set a price you and your partner can both agree on.

After this, it's all about prioritizing the things that are most important to you; the spectacular stately home, the stunning vintage wedding dress or

the most delicious petits-fours! Knowing what is most important to you will really shape your day into what you both want.

Keep your eye out for hidden charges, such as corkage fees – as this can set you back a small fortune.

2. Location, location, location!: Location is key! Having a personal interest in a venue can really make your day. If you are religious, spiritual or humanist, there is almost certainly a venue out there to suit.

Be mindful that in the UK you can only legally marry in registered locations – but this doesn't have to go against your perfect spot! Blessings can take place on beautiful beaches,

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3. The after party: After the ceremony, you will of course want to celebrate! Of course many ceremonial venues are open to you for your whole big day, and offer many packages to suit your budget.

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4. Capturing your day: Capturing the memories of your big day is definitely worth considering. When I got married, everything went by so quickly! Being able to hold the memories in my hands and share them with my partner is so precious as we can relive it through the images.

Check out wedding blogs, magazines and word-of-mouth recommendations for brilliant photographers and filmmakers who can suggest ideas to make your planning that little bit more fun.

5. Keep your guests entertained!

To fill your day with a buzz and to allow your guests to have a complete blast, why not consider hiring some outdoor fun! Everything from croquet, board games, and photo booths – these are all things to think about when going through your checklist.

6. Entertainment: Personalise your entertainment based on your own interests. If you love music then compile your own playlist. Or if you are a keen baker why not host a bake off contest?

7. The after, after party: Don't forget about getting away as newlyweds after tying the knot! Planning your big day may feel like the most important thing, but finally being

married and together holds so much value.

Anything goes when it comes to your first holiday as newlyweds, from glamping on the coast, to treading the souqs of Marrakesh – the world is open to you!

8. Food: Wedding breakfasts aren't what they were 50 years ago! Everything from hog roasts, to hiring a vintage fish and chip van, to a sit-down afternoon tea are all possible.

If you love ice-cream, popcorn or sweets – don't limit yourself to tradition! There are so many things to suit all budgets, and so much available.

9. Your grand entrance: Everything from tractors, to campervans and horse-drawn carriages are available for your big day. Go with what you would feel comfortable sitting in, and think of the great photo opportunities!

10. Do-It-Yourself!: If you want to make your day truly personal, there is so much you can do yourself. Not only will this open up your budget, but also you can truly inject your personality into your day.

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Styles & Trends: Lace Wedding Dresses

LACE is an eternally beautiful material for wedding dresses, and it's a style that has lasted for centuries in the fashion world. It's a favourite amongst designers worldwide, its reputation huge. And it's not hard to see why!



Wedding Dress: Fashion Trends

Lace seems to be everywhere, and the biggest designers are using it all over the world. They have been for years! Its regard may in part be due to the fine craftsmanship that is handmade lace, but the popularity of the white lace wedding dress is often attributed to Queen Victoria's marriage to Prince Albert in her lace-trimmed gown, train, and veil. Celebrities really help to push the reputation of this fine material—just look at Grace Kelly, whose wedding dress is famed in the fashion world. Now lace is everywhere, from bridalwear to wedding decoration.

Lace features in many of the trends for next year, most prominently with the likes of nude lace. The design acts as a bit of an optical illusion that may, for some, seem a little bit racy. But it gives some absolutely beautiful effects, and a look like that of old vintage.

Being a very traditional, flattering material, lace is wonderful for a vintage or art deco wedding. It really adds a pretty elegance to the wearer, and with the ornate designs available right across the material, you can get any number of beautiful fin-

ishes to the dress. Open backs seem to be a big trend for next year, and lace can really set off that effect. Also bohemian gowns and tea length dresses really run with lace, giving some of the most stunning designs.

Choosing the Right Material

If you're worried a full-lace wedding dress isn't for you however, don't fret! You can still get that spark of vintage with lace sleeves, shoes, a cloak, jacket or bolero, or a belt, veil or a hairpiece. Perhaps even a handkerchief or a pair of gloves? Lace is a very flexible material to work with; with it, you can get any number of styles: chic or floaty, grand or unadorned. You may even consider some appliquéd work, where bits of lace are stitched by hand to parts of the dress in order to accent it. Don't be afraid to try out different colours either—ivory lace on a white dress, or white on pale pink or blue-silver? Brides are no longer going after the classic white wedding. Feel free to shake it up!

Choose your lace carefully, as it can come in many forms and give any number of stunning effects—some is denser and heavier with deep patterns, some is lighter and softer, its design delicate. And then there is even lace decorated with beads and sequins, crystals, gems and pearls, and these really echo the fashion of the Roaring Twenties or the Victorian era. Research thoroughly by perhaps keeping a scrapbook of the materials you like, and the dress designs you love, and be careful when it comes to buying your dress/accessories. There are many cheap knock-offs in the world so it's advised that you seek professional advice on what to look for when buying your items. Of course, not all of the cheaper lace is a bad thing, for when it's done right it can really suit a bride on a budget and still look magnificent.



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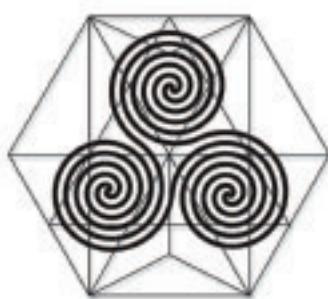
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Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY MAY 4TH

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

KILMINGTON: Film: "Dad's Army" (PG). Moviola screening at Kilmington Village Hall (Whitford Rd), doors and bar (wine and soft drinks) open at 6.45pm Film start 7.15pm. Tickets £5 purchased in advance from Hurfords Store or phone 01297 32335, or £5.50 at the door. For more details see www.Kilmingtonvillage.com and select Clubs.

SIDMOUTH: Coffee Concert in the Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields, Temple Street, 10.30am-12noon. Featuring Sue Gooding, John Brindley, Dorothy Worthington, Christine Hemmingway and John McGregor. Free entry. Bucket collection for Sidmouth Town Band Fund & The Music Room Restoration Fund.

CLOPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - sew, knit & natter, 10.30am, all welcome; details from 01460 72837.

COLYTON: Colyton, Colyford and District Memory Café, 2-4 p.m. St John Hall King Street Colyton. There is some parking available and a small drop off point. If you a friend or a loved one is experiencing memory loss or have been diagnosed with Dementia why not come to one of our Memory Cafes and enjoy a relaxing, safe and enjoyable afternoon tasting some lovely cakes with a drink doing activities and games with lots of laughter and lots of chatting. For more information please ring Diane on 01297 680442.

CREWKERNE: Bingo - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm at Henhayes Centre.

WEDNESDAY MAY 4TH - SATURDAY MAY 7TH

CREWKERNE: CUDOS presents The Vicar of Dibley at Victoria Hall, Crewkerne commencing at 7.30 pm. Tickets cost £7 & £6 for concessions and are available at www.cudos.org.uk or 01460 74380.

THURSDAY MAY 5TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive, 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colyton-history.co.uk or www.colytonheritagecentre.org

CLOPTON: Community Coffee Morning, hosted by Clapton & Wayford Village Hall from 10.30am. There will be a cake/Bring & Buy stall and a raffle; all contributions welcomed. Do come and join us, to support your local facility, whilst meeting friends & neighbours or getting to know new people; all welcome. Come to vote at the same time. More details from Sue (01460 74433)

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members / £3.50 for non-members.

FRIDAY MAY 6TH

SEATON: Seaton Eats Boutique. An evening street food market overlooking the sea. 5-9pm in Jubilee Gardens.

SATURDAY MAY 7TH

MISTERTON: St Leonard's Church, Misterton, are holding a Table Top Sale at the WI Hall on Middle Street, Misterton (TA18 8LX) from 11 til 2. There will be a variety of stalls, including bric-a-brac, pottery, jewellery, brass/copper, DVD/CD's, jigsaw, old tools, plants, books, pictures, etc., etc. We will also be serving light refreshments - home made soup and roll, tea and cake. All proceeds from this sale will go towards the upkeep of St Leonard's Church. Sorry, no tables available for hire but lots for you to see. 01460 74808.

SEATON: Jumble Sale Seaton Town Hall. Doors open 10am, entrance 30p children under 14 free. Coffee, cakes, linens, bric-a-brac, toys, books, clothes and raffle. Contact Paula Vickers 01297 23217

STOCKLAND: Spring Plant Sale, cakes and bric-a-brac. At the Victory Hall, 2pm. Organised by Stockland and District Gardening Club. For more details call 01404 881331.

COLYFORD: Craft & Table Top Sale at Colyford Memorial Hall. Organised by Bizzy Fingers Craft Group supporting "Force" Cancer Charity Tel: 01297 21508 for more details

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THORNCOME BATTLE OF THE BANDS (TBOB) is set to take place on Friday, July 1st and Saturday, July 2nd, featuring the areas best rocking acts.

TBOB is a special music event raising money for the kitchen refurbishment at Thorncome Sports & Social Club.

Bands and artists from around the area are invited to take part and compete for a great prize and the chance to promote themselves for future gigs around the area.

TBOB is part of the Thorncome Sports & Social Club's Beer & Cider festival in Thorncome, and entry is free to the beer and cider festival. TBOB two day tickets are available in advance £5 or on the door at £8.

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Diary Dates

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BLACKDOWN: Quiz with Fish & Chip Supper at Blackdown Village Hall. 7.30pm Teams of 4/or join up with others on the night. For more details contact Alex 01308 868664/Teresa 01460 30423

SUNDAY MAY 8TH

HONITON: Short Mat Bowls. 9.30am weekly. Teaching and playing. Newcomers welcome. At LED Leisure Centre, School Lane (EX14 1QW). For more details call 01404 42325

SIDMOUTH: The Maynard School Young Musicians at Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields, Temple Street, 3.30pm. Free admission, retiring collection for the Restoration Fund.

TUESDAY MAY 10TH

SIDMOUTH: St Francis Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice South West. 2.30pm. 2nd Tuesday of the month. 01395 577122.

AXMINSTER: Cooking For One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 10.30-12.30. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information or email laura@halff.org.uk.

THURSDAY MAY 12TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colyton-history.co.uk or www.colytonheritagecentre.org

AXMINSTER: Coffee and Chocolate Morning, Church Rooms Axminster, raising funds for the TIC, 9am-12.30pm.

FRIDAY MAY 13TH

CLOPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - 'Food on Friday', mid-day for 12.30pm start. All ages are welcome; very friendly atmosphere and good food. Please book in advance by phoning 01460 77057. Further details also available on the same number.

KILMINGTON: Devon County Butterfly recorder, Roger Bristow, will talk of the many beautiful butterflies that may visit our gardens and how we can create a habitat to encourage them and help them breed. Kilmington Gardening Club. 7.30pm Kilmington Village Hall, Whitford Road, EX137RF Non members welcome £1.

SATURDAY MAY 14TH

CHARD: 'We'll Gather Lilacs - whites, pinks and purples' Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. At Chard Guildhall, 8-11pm. Free parking after 6pm in Council car park (Not Lids). Pay on the door, £6.

CREWKERNE: Flea Market at the Speedwell Hall, Abbey Street, TA18 7HY. 2 minutes turn left behind the town hall. Free admission. 9am - 1pm - Tea, Coffee & cakes Tables £10.00 please call Peter on 07885 171606. Raising funds for new floor for The Speedwell Hall charity a Crewkerne treasure.

HINTON ST GEORGE: Hinton St. George 'Flix in the Stix' presents 'Brooklyn' (12A) in the Hinton Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Keford on 01460 72563.

SEAVINGTON: Seavington Gardening Club annual plant sale will be held in Seavington Millennium Hall from 10 am - 12 pm. There will be plants of a high quality to include vegetables, perennials and annuals. Refreshments and Raffle.

OTTERY ST MARY: Otter Valley Rotary Club Anniversary Anniversary Concert at Ottery St Mary Parish Church, 7.30pm. Featuring The Military Wives, Exmouth Town Concert Band, and Ottery St Mary Silver Band. Tickets £10. Available from Curious Otter Book Shop (10 Mill St) or A. Dimon & Co (74 High Street, Honiton), or call 01404 813961.

SIDMOUTH: Lions Club of Sidmouth '40th Anniversary Celebration Concert' at 8pm in Manor Pavilion Theatre, Manor Road, EX10 8RP. A gala evening of Music and Song from Stage and Screen, led by Vicki Campbell and special guests. This 'black tie and bubbly' event celebrates 40 years of Sidmouth Lions Club's service to the community. Pre-show canapes served from 7pm. Tickets £12 from Theatr Box Office (01395 514413), open 10 am - 2 pm, Monday to Saturday. All proceeds will go to Sidmouth Lions Club charity activities.

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Talking of which, we have a new talent at the Honey Farm. Lizzie Taylor, aged 11 has taken a fantastic shot of bluebells at Blackbury Camp and her cards are on sale with us now.

Lots of people went to check on the progress of the bluebells last weekend and called in at the Honey Farm on the way. They were not disappointed. Modesty should forbid but I have to say that our lemon drizzle, ginger and chocolate cakes, all made here, are superb and judging by the rate at which they were disappearing our customers heartily agree! Cream teas, toasted sandwiches and home - made soups were also flying out of the kitchen in a steady stream.

We were pleased to spot Karen from the AONB office, bringing more leaflets to inspire the explorers of our beautiful piece of Devon, for which we are proud Ambassadors.

Beekeepers from the local associations were also with us last weekend, bringing bees to get a health check before the season starts in earnest.

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APRIL has proved to be another month that provided music of both quality and variety at The David Hall.

On Friday 8th, a brilliant night of Bluegrass was presented by the multi-talented Stompin' Dave and his band. They proved why they are billed as a 'super group' with their amazing musicianship and total commitment to the music. One of the most entertaining bands on the circuit.

On 16th April we welcomed the Swedish artiste Benjamin Folke Thomas and his band for their first visit. This was a stunning performance of what Ben describes as his take on Alt-Country Country-Rock and Americana. Fantastic material played with great skill all fronted by Ben's rich and powerful voice. This was a memorable night.

On Friday 22nd we saw the return of a lady who has graced our stage many times for well over a decade when Kathryn Tickell performed with the massively talented The Side.

Kathryn is without doubt the best-known and finest Northumbrian pipe player performing today. The mixture of pipes, fiddle, accordion, harp and cello, interspersed with fabulous clog dancing, made this a night that will long be remembered by a full house, many of whom have asked me to get them back soon. It is my hope that this will happen in 2018.

On Saturday 23rd, the Solid Air Concert was performed by the very talented Keith James. This event included the music of two legends - John Martyn and Nick Drake - as well as songs by Joni Mitchell and Neil Young, amongst others. A night enjoyed by all.

I am really looking forward to May, with what promises to be a really special month as far as gigs are concerned.

On Friday 6th, BBC Radio 2 Folk Award winner Emily Portman will perform with her trio. Emily's third album, Coracle, is made up of self-penned songs steeped in the Folk tradition. With Emily being supported by Lucy Farrell and Rachel Newton, all lovers of Traditional music will know this promises to be a gig from the very 'top drawer'. This trio sings out over an atmospheric, layered soundscape of harp, strings, bells musical saw and percussion.



Emily Portman



We shall take another different musical direction on Saturday 14th May with a visit by the genuinely unique seven-piece band, Blowzabella, who make an inimitable, driving drone-based sound played with a fabulous sense of melody. For over three decades their music has been influenced by a mixture of English and Eastern European dance tunes. This 'Chance to Dance' night will be made all the more special by a two-hour Dance Workshop in the afternoon. Full details are available in both our printed programmes and on The David Hall website

www.thedavidhall.org.uk

On Friday 27th May, The David Hall begins a week of special events to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of The Petherton Arts Trust and our very special "Small Hall with the BIG reputation".

As well as music, we have an acclaimed film - the digitally-restored edition of The Third Man, originally produced in 1947 and starring Orson Welles; three performances of A Midsummer Night's Dream by the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School - and, for families, The Whale's Tale by Music Box, an afternoon show and music/storytelling workshop, on Saturday 28th May. Performance Night on Thursday 2nd June is also included among these special events. All styles and forms of performance welcome - not just music. To perform, please email folk@chriswatts.org

Musically, the celebrations start with a 'Chance to Dance' gig featuring one of Folk-Rock's greatest ever groups, The Oysterband. I find it hard to believe this is actually happening! Not surprisingly, this event has been sold out for over three months so giving much detail is perhaps pointless. Let me just suggest that those who have tickets should please get there early - and do not forget the performance will start at 7.30pm.

The final event of this celebration programme will be a performance on Friday 3rd June by the traditional Welsh Folk band, 9Bach, who have been nominated in the Best Album category in the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards.

Please check our website for full details of what we have for you to enjoy during this very special week.

Finally, a quick reminder that the 5th Petherton Folk Fest will take place in South Petherton on Saturday, 18th June. I will give more details next month.

Meanwhile - Happy watching and listening!

Cheers, Pete Wheeler
Petherton Arts Trust

Further events at The David Hall in May

The David Hall's popular monthly Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday 25th May, 10am - 12pm, with real coffee and home-made cakes, book and bric-a-brac stalls and live music.

A date for your diary! Sunday, 5th June, will be Open Gardens Day in Over Stratton, with at least 10 gardens open to raise funds for The David Hall. Enjoy afternoon tea with home-made cakes as well as Traditional music and plant sales.

For further details about any of the above please check the website www.thedavidhall.org.uk or call 01460 240 340.

May the 2nd be with you for Star Wars Day!

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Chris Barber is an iconic figure in the history of British jazz and blues and the Big Chris Barber Band is undoubtedly one of the finest jazz bands in Europe, playing everything from New Orleans jazz to blues.

Now in his 86th year, Chris Barber, is credited with transforming the UK music scene in the 1950s and 60s, by introducing

ing black bluesmen such as Muddy Waters, Howling Wolf, and Big Bill Broonzy to Europe. His ability to adapt and shape his playing to changing musical tastes and styles has won him admirers world-wide. It is difficult to over-estimate his influence on the evolution of pop music in the UK - without Chris Barber there would probably have been no Beatles or Rolling Stones and many contemporary artists such as Van Morrison, Billy Bragg and Hugh Laurie cite him as a powerful influence.

This year's expanded Lyme Regis Jazz & Blues Weekend

builds on the town's growing reputation for music-making, with over 20 acts, featuring jazz, blues and fusion over a four day music-filled weekend. For the first time, the festival will stage free afternoon concerts on the seafront on the Sunday and Monday bringing together the very best local jazz and blues talent on offer.

The festival will also feature King Pleasure and the Biscuit Boys, the UK's undoubted kings of swing, returning to Lyme Regis by popular demand with their highly entertaining, exuberant Saturday night dance extravaganza.

The programme includes the hugely talented multi-award-winning world class California State University Big Band, the 22-piece big band with a big sound, all the way from Los Angeles. The Band regularly performs at major music festivals including the Monterey and Reno Jazz Festivals, with past tours of the Far East, Australia and Europe. They'll bring all their youthful dynamism to the music of Basie, Ellington and Buddy Rich on the sunny shores of Lyme Regis, the first stop on their one and only UK tour.

The multi-award winning blues sensation, Laurence Jones, performs on Sunday evening at Marine Theatre. Interrupting his European tour to play the festival, Laurence is twice winner of British Blues Awards "Young Artist of the Year" and voted "Best Guitarist" by last year's European Blues Awards. Hailed as the next Clapton he's the future of British Blues with a stellar career awaiting him. This prom-

ises to be an exhilarating guitar-fuelled finale to remember.

Festival organiser, Julie Sheppard said: "This year's festival is more ambitious than anything we've tried before. Our aim is to make Lyme Regis the musical destination for the May Bank Holiday, with events throughout the town, over the four days. Chris Barber is a completely class act and we're delighted he's opening the festival. It'll be a rare

opportunity to see him, up close and personal, in an intimate venue. And we're hoping that his example will inspire the young home-grown talent playing over the weekend. So, whether you're 8 or 80, this is a musical weekend you won't want to miss!"

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5 TIPS ABOUT ELECTRIC UNDERFLOOR HEATING

ONE: An electric underfloor heating system (also known as a dry system) radiates heat through a series of wires in the floor. It's either a mat, which is best for large spaces because it can be rolled out to cover an entire floor, or a cable/loose-fit system (individual wires). This is a flexible solution for smaller and awkwardly shaped rooms, such as bathrooms, where there's no need to heat the floor under the basin and bath. Heating mats should be laid on a finished subfloor, such as plywood, and encased in a flexible levelling compound or flex-

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By Julia Gray, Press Association

TWO: One of the benefits of underfloor heating is that there's more free wall space than with radiators. Another benefit is that the room is heated more evenly - with radiators, you get cold spots. Radiant heat (produced by underfloor heating) is the most efficient form of heat distribution, and airborne dust is greatly reduced, which is good for allergy sufferers. Underfloor heating works at a lower temperature to radiators, so a well-insulated home is vital to prevent heat loss (see below).

THREE: Electric underfloor systems can work with most types of floor covering (check when you buy if in doubt), from carpet, vinyl and wood, to ceramic tiles and natural stone, but it's important to get the right wattage. A 100W mat can be used to take the chill off cold floor tiles, while a 150W mat can be used as a primary heating source, providing adequate insulation is in place. For areas of high heat loss, such as conservatories, a 200W

mat is needed. You can adjust the temperature easily from a thermostat (a smart thermostat can be controlled by an app) and independently of your home's central heating system - electric underfloor heating is ideal for warming a cold bathroom floor when the central heating's off.

FOUR: A poorly insulated home loses lots of heat, reducing the effectiveness of any underfloor heating system. If the floor isn't insulated sufficiently, for example, the underfloor heating will heat the earth below, as well as the room above, which no one wants. Whether you're fitting an electric or wet underfloor system, ensure you insulate under the heating elements sufficiently, and insulate elsewhere in the home as much as possible to get maximum benefit.

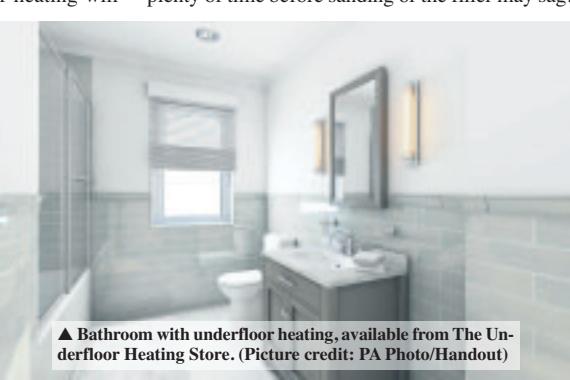
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HOW-TO TIP: Fillers, even ones designed for deep gaps, usually need to be built up in layers to get a good finish. Wood filler tends to dry quickly, but may not be as hard as it seems if the repair's deep - sanding it is the acid test. Similarly, wall filler (even a quick-drying one) may take much longer than the recommended time to harden fully, especially if you've had to build it up, so allow plenty of time before sanding or the filler may sag.



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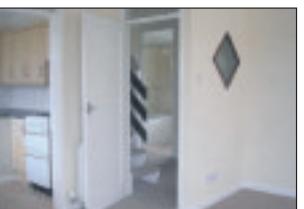
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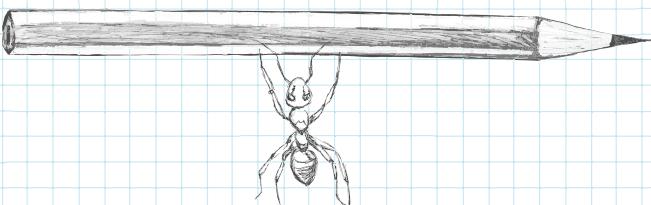
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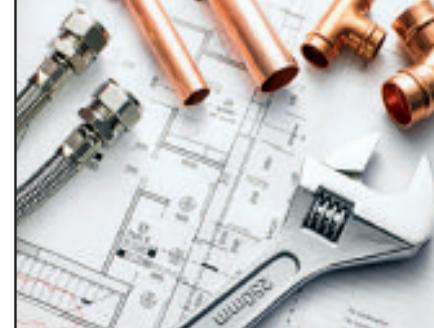
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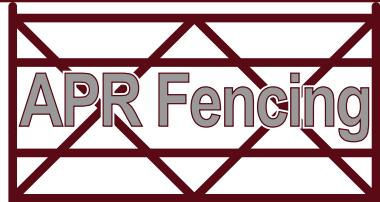
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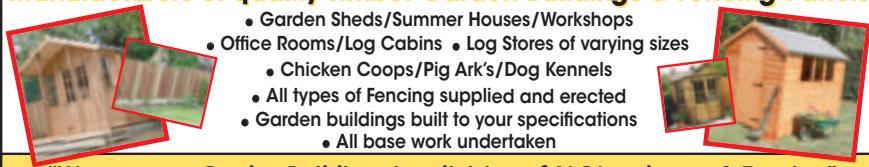
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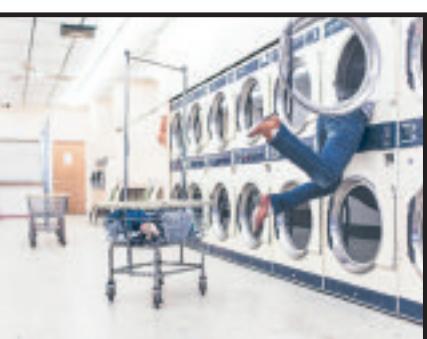
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All-new 197mph Audi R8 Spyder raises the roof at Audi City London

A LANDMARK Audi location in the heart of London is the fitting backdrop for the UK debut of a new generation of the convertible super sports car lauded as a milestone for Vorsprung durch Technik – the all-new Audi R8 Spyder has taken centre stage for selected media guests at Audi City in Piccadilly. Appealing to purists with its naturally aspirated V10 power, and to technophiles with sophisticated new features including the fully digital Audi Virtual Cockpit, the latest open-air R8 is not only more powerful and quicker against the clock, but also even more tightly pinned to challenging

roads thanks in part to a 50 per cent improvement in torsional rigidity.

The key point of differentiation between Coupe and Spyder R8 models is of course the lightweight cloth hood, which tapers into two fins that stretch the cloth so that the roof harmonises perfectly with the dramatic lines of the high-performance sports car. Opening and closure is fully automated, and at speeds of up to 31mph the hood can be slickly concealed beneath the sculpted integral cover, or reattached to shield occupants from a sharp shower, in just 20 seconds. The rear window, sunk into the bulkhead,

can also be retracted and extended at the touch of a button.

The strong backbone of the new R8 Spyder is the newly developed multi-material Audi Space Frame (ASF) which incorporates an intelligent mix of aluminium and carbon fibre that helps to keep dry weight down to just 1,612kg. Aluminium components make up a fraction under 80 per cent of the weight. They form a lattice that Audi's engineers have used to incorporate specific reinforcements especially into the sills. A-pillars and windscreen frame. Combined with innovative manufacturing methods that lower the weight of individual components by up to ten per cent, these pare the weight of the body back to just 208 kilograms and boost torsional rigidity by over 50 per cent compared with the previous model.

Strong motorsport DNA: the V10 power unit

The even greater structural integrity provides an even more effective operating environment for a new iteration of the potent mid-mounted ten-cylinder engine. The latest V10 retains the purity of natural aspiration but adds advanced features such as dual injection and a freewheeling mode which enables it to 'decouple' whenever possible to optimise response and improve fuel economy by ten per cent. 540PS of power and 540 Nm (398.3 lb-ft) of torque at 6,500 rpm deliver phenomenal road performance, with the 0 to 62mph sprint taking just 3.6 seconds on the way to a top speed of 197mph, but the latest R8 Spyder is also capable of returning up to 24.1mpg, corresponding to 277 grams

CO₂ per kilometre.

Behind the V10 there is a seven-speed S tronic dual-clutch transmission delivering lightning-fast shifts, which channels power to a newly designed quattro drive system with an electro-hydraulically activated multi-plate clutch at the front axle. It can distribute drive fully variably according to the situation, and in extreme cases can transfer up to 100 percent to the front or rear wheels.

The intelligent control system is incorporated into the Audi drive select system, which offers four modes ranging from overtly dynamic to comfort-oriented. In conjunction with the optional R8 performance leather steering wheel, three more driving programs are available: dry, wet and snow. They make handling even more precise and stable, to match the specific conditions of the road being travelled.

The controls place the focus squarely on the driver, who can operate all important functions with the multifunction and satellite push-buttons without having to take hands off the steering wheel or look away from the road. The large 12.3-inch, fully digital Audi virtual cockpit presents all information using rich 3D graphics.

The internet-based services delivered by Audi connect come as standard in the R8 Spyder, as does the intuitively operated MMI navigation plus with MMI touch, the Audi Music Interface and belt microphones which make it even easier to use natural-language voice control and the phone. MMI search, which makes search suggestions after input of just the first few letters, offers a shortcut to

the required information.

The Audi smartphone interface, which made its debut in the Q7 and A4 model lines, is also adopted by the second-generation R8 Spyder. It enables selected content from compatible iOS and Android smartphones to be displayed by the Audi virtual cockpit. The Audi phone box can also be specified to connect mobile phones to the car aerial and charge them inductively. The Bang & Olufsen Sound System is another highlight: For the first time, it plays through two head restraint loudspeakers mounted in each seat, for an excellent audio experience even when driving with the hood down.

Largely hand-built

The build quality of the new R8 Spyder, which is largely hand-built at a special facility near Neckarsulm, Germany, is of the highest standard. Over and above the extensive standard equipment, customers have almost unlimited scope to tailor both the interior and exterior to their individual preferences. Body components such as the front spoiler, the diffuser and the new sideblades are also available in carbon. LED headlights with newly developed laser technology can be added as an alternative to the standard all-LED headlights to maximise visibility and range for the driver, bringing increased safety at night.

The all-new R8 Spyder is making an early curtain call in London before becoming available to order later this spring. The first examples of the open-air super sports car will reach UK customers in late 2016.



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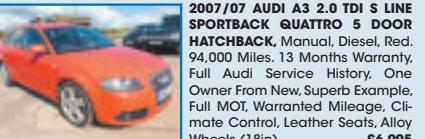
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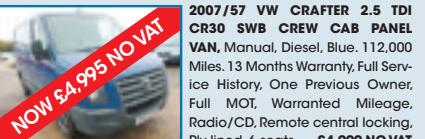
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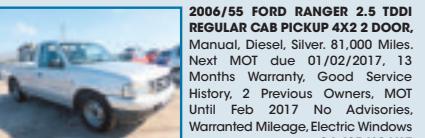
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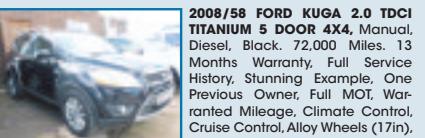
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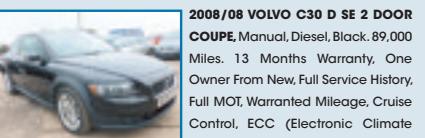
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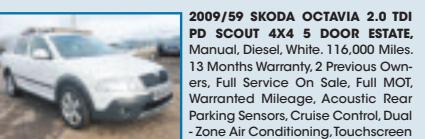
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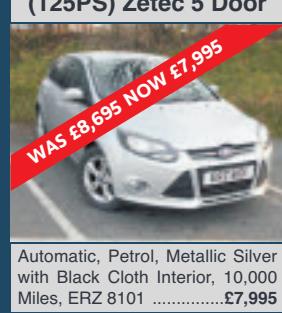
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Mercedes-Benz C-Class family grows with C 43 Saloon and Estate, plus 4MATIC diesels

THE Mercedes-AMG C 43 4MATIC is now available to order in Saloon and Estate guise, adding to the recently introduced Coupé model. Prices begin at £44,460 for the Saloon.

For the first time in the UK, 4MATIC all-wheel drive is also now available across the range in the C 200 (Coupé only), C 220 d and C 250 d (Sport and AMG Line trims only).

The Mercedes-AMG C 43 comes with a turbocharged 3.0-litre V6 petrol engine producing 367 hp. The C 43 Saloon and Coupé can sprint from 0 to 62 mph in 4.7 seconds, while the Estate takes 4.9 seconds. All C 43 models come with a 9G-TRONIC automatic transmission – with shortened shift times – as standard.

Standard equipment on the C 43 includes: ARTICO leather and DINAMICA microfibre upholstery with red contrast stitching; 18-inch alloy wheels in black; black exterior mirror housings; and silver-painted brake calipers with 'AMG' lettering.

Specific options for the C43 include AMG Performance Seats (£1,405) and the AMG Performance Exhaust System (£1,000).

Mercedes-Benz's 4MATIC all-wheel-drive system is now also available in other C-Class models. The new drivetrain

offers even better traction and driving stability. The new 4MATIC models are priced at £1,500 over their rear-wheel-drive equivalents, meaning the C 220 d Sport 4MATIC Saloon starts at £36,025 and the C 220 d Sport 4MATIC Estate at £37,225.

Mercedes-Benz has also introduced a new model line to the C-Class family – the SE Executive Edition. Available on

both the Saloon and Estate, it is priced at £1,295 more than the SE and includes 17-inch alloy wheels; Active Parking Assist including PARKTRONIC; chrome roof rails (Estate only); Garmin Map Pilot navigation system; heated front seats; and split folding rear seats in 40:20:40 formation.

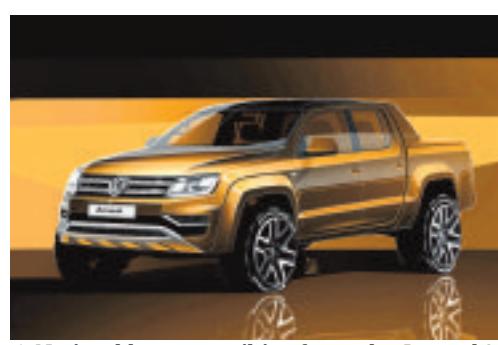
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▲ Mercedes-Benz C-Class family grows with C 43 Saloon and Estate

Amarok pick-up given the latest Volkswagen design

THE first sketches of the forthcoming Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles Amarok have been revealed today, showing clearly the values of the premium pick-up. Like previous iterations, the latest Amarok will combine passenger car-like on-road manners with full off-road capability. A more athletic front and a modified instrument panel emphasise the powerful Amarok look and give the vehicle a more premium feel. With a length of 5.25 metres and a width of 2.23 metres (mirrors included), the Amarok fulfils all that is expected of a classic pick-up in both style and concept.



▲ Noticeably more striking front: the Amarok's revised design

Striking features of the design and of the new commercial vehicles instrument panel feature prominent horizontal lines. Round contours give way to horizontal and vertical lines, giving a more striking appearance.

More details will be published in due course. The model is expected to go on sale in the UK before the end of the year.

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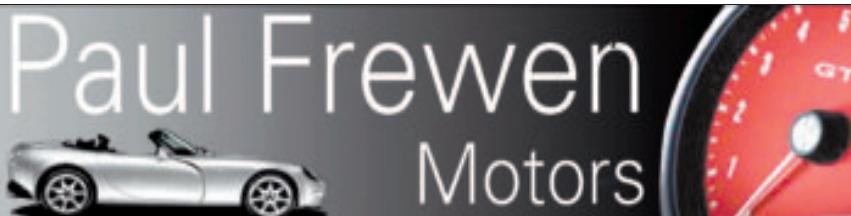
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Galmpton Utd	30	55*	
Alphington	32	49	
AXMINSTER TN	32	45	
Newton Abbot Spurs	29	43	
Brixham AFC	32	42	
Budleigh Salterton	32	42	
Appledore	31	40*	
Crediton Utd	29	37	
Exwick Villa	29	37	
SIDMOUTH TN	30	35	
Bovey Tracey	32	31	
Liverton Utd	29	24	
Totnes & Dartington	30	24	
Okehampton Argyle	30	0*	

D&E Premier (30)	Pld	Pts
Newtown	24	60
Topsham Town	24	56
Honiton Town	24	53
Feniton	25	49
Elmre	23	38
Exwick Villa Res	26	31
Hatherleigh Town	22	31
Newton St Cyres	25	31
Heavitree Utd	24	30
Seaton Town	23	28
Clyst Valley	25	25
Chard Town Res	26	24
Beer Albion	23	21
Bow AAC	22	16
Willand Rovers Res	26	14

D&E Div One (24)	Pld	Pts
Exmouth Amateurs	20	53
Bickleigh	22	44
Sidmouth Town Res	21	42
Upottery	19	40
University Res	13	30
Westex Rovers	20	28
Colyton	19	25
Wellington Res	20	19
Alphington Res	22	19
Budleigh Salt Res	24	19
Witheridge Res	21	18
Heavitree Utd Res	22	18*
Lymstock	21	12

D&E Div Two (24)	Pld	Pts
Henry's Cronies	19	53
Lyme Regis	19	40
Cullompton Ran Rs	20	38
Chulmleigh	17	37
University 3rds	16	36
Dawlish Utd	19	33
Exmouth Town Res	18	32
Newtown Res	17	27
Halwill	21	17
Tipton St John	21	17
Hemyock	18	14
East Budleigh	21	10
Culm Utd	18	4

D&E Div Three (26)	Pld	Pts
Lapford	21	54
Chagford	24	52
Woodbury	23	48
Axmouth Utd	20	39
Exmouth Amat Res	25	35
University 4ths	20	32
Newton Poppleford	22	29
Cheriton Fitzpaine	22	29
Langdon	19	26
Topsham Town Res	21	25*
Tedburn St Mary	18	19
St Martins Res	21	17*
Clyst Valley Res	22	17
Thorverton	22	4*

D&E Div Four (24)	Pld	Pts
Axminster Res (C)	22	52
Bampton	19	42
Honiton Town Res	20	41
Morchar Bishop	20	29
Fluxton	22	29
University 5ths	14	25
Lords XI	21	25
Bow AAC Res	18	23*
Countess Wear Dyn	20	21
Pinhoe	19	17
Sampford Peverell	19	15
North Tawton	20	13

D&E Div Five (24)	Pld	Pts
Otterton	23	56
Upplowman Athletic	20	49
Kentisbeare	21	45
Ottery St Mary	20	41
Sandford	19	34
Alphington 3rds	22	33
Priory	21	30
Feniton Reserves	22	30
Awliscombe Utd	22	30
Starcross Generals	24	20
Lords XI	21	25
Bow AAC Res	22	18*
Countess Wear Dyn	20	21
Pinhoe	19	17
Sampford Peverell	19	15
North Tawton	20	13

D&E Div Six (24)	Pld	Pts
Winchester19	45
Whipton & Pinhoe	16	45
Royal Oak (Exeter)	22	44
Millwey Rise17	36
South Zeal Utd	18	35
Newton St Cyres Rs	17	35
Exwick Village	21	27
Dunkeswell Rovers	21	20
Winkleigh	17	19
Stoke Hill	22	17
Silverton	20	14
Woodbury Reserves	18	13
Ilminster Town Res	20	10*

D&E Div Seven (22)	Pld	Pts
Central (Exeter)	20	45
Tivvy Park Rangers	19	45
Offwell Rangers	19	37
Elmre Reserves	18	35
Pinhoe v Bradninch		
Lyme Regis Res	20	33
Wellington 100s	21	30*
Pinhoe Reserves	17	28*
Colyton Reserves	20	23
Cheriton Fitz Res	19	20
Seaton Town Res	19	16
Langdon Reserves	19	10
Bradninch	19	5*

D&E Div Eight (20)	Pld	Pts
Bickleigh Reserves	19	45
Cranbrook	19	42
Exmouth Spartans	19	39
Sidmouth Town 3rds	18	35
K&M Polonia	20	31
Ashwater	18	22
Stoke Arms Utd	20	21
Sandford 2nds	18	20
Lymestone Reserves	20	14
Bampton Reserves	18	14
Chagford Reserves	19	14

D&E Div Nine (22)	Pld	Pts
Upottery Res (C)	19	52
Kentisbeare Res	22	38
Newton Popp' Res	21	38
Almster 3rds	22	36
Lapford Reserves	20	36
Amory Green Roy	20	33
Honiton Town 3rds	20	25
Exmouth Amat 3rds	20	23*
Witheridge 3rds	17	22
Fenton 3rds	22	16
Millwey Rise Res.	21	13
Tedburn St M Res	20	11

Perry St Prem (22)	Pld	Pts
Perry Street	15	41
Barrington	18	40
Beamister	19	40
Shepton Beauchamp	17	39
South Petherton	15	37
Winsham Utd	20	22
Netherbury	19	21
W & M Chinnoch	19	20
Combe Reserves	19	19
Chard Utd	20	18
Forton Rangers	19	11*
Crewkerne Town (R)	20	6*

Perry St Div 1 (20)	Pld	Pts
Misterton	17	39
Hawkhurst Utd	16	31
Barrington Reserves	16	29*
Drimpton	12	27
Wayton Hounds	17	27
Pymore	16	26
Chagford v Sidmouth Town	18	23
Sandford v Sampford Peverell	18	23
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Withey Reserves	17	17
Uplyme	15	22
Ilminster Town Colts	16	16
Crewkerne Rangers	16	6
Thorncombe	17	6

Perry St Div 2 (22)	Pld	Pts
South Petherton Res.	16	45
Merriott Rovers	15	37
Shepton Beau Res.	17	34
Winsham Utd Res.	19	34
Farway Utd	17	33
Combe B	18	33
Chard Rangers	18	29
Chard Utd Reserves	19	26
Kingsbury Episcopi	20	16
Hinton St George	20	15
Merriott Dynamos	17	13
Thorncombe Res (R)	18	0*

Perry St Div 3 (24)	Pld	Pts
Perry Street Res	18	46
Dowlish & Donnyt.	17	42
Halstock	15	40
Charmouth	19	32
Fivehead	19	28
Netherbury Reserves	15	28
Chard Rangers Res.	16	23*
Uplyme Reserves	17	21
Drimpton Reserves	17	20*
Farway Utd Res.	19	11
Chard Utd All Stars	19	11
Crewk Rangers Res.	17	10*
Ilminster Town A	16	5*

Sport - local football news

with Howard Larcombe



Axminster Ressies crowned champions

Fenny thrash eight-man Elmore - Hoole hits half-century - Honiton smash eight

Saturday, April 23rd
SW PENINSULA LEAGUE D1

AXMINSTER TOWN 2

NEWTON ABBOT SPURS 0

SECOND half goals from Jon Hurford and Liam Cleal saw Axminster extend their unbeaten run to six matches.

The Tigers went close early on when a Mark Scott header from a Hurford corner was kicked off the line.

Soon after Hurford struck the foot of the post from a free-kick and then Luke Finn's cut back was met by Cleal who also tested the woodwork.

The deadlock was finally broken in the 71st minute when Hurford pounced on a poor clearance before drilling in a 25-yarder for his 17th goal of the season.

The win was sealed soon after when Cleal made no mistake having been left unmarked at the back stick.

Hurford missed the chance of a third six minutes from time when his penalty kick was well saved by keeper Ryan Brittain after substitute Aaron Daniels had been felled in the box.

Tigers: Sc Wells-Burr, E.Dyer, C.Duchenski, M.Scott (Capt), L.Cleal, C.Garrett, B.Miller (M.Smale 82), O.Latas, L.Finn (A.Daniels 82), T.Pinder (G.Spiller 67), J.Hurford. Unused sub; B.Clay.

rugby chard rfc

WITH GLYN HUGHES

Chard Colts crowned county champions

Drybrook 47 Chard 19 South West Division One

HAVING secured their place in the division last weekend, Chard travelled to the Forest of Dean for their final league game of the season with a somewhat experimental team which included several up-and-coming younger players.

In the opening half Chard were guilty of making a number of basic errors and the home side took advantage and scored four converted tries before Chard got into their stride.

But Chard were determined to enjoy the final game and in the second half their expansive rugby paid off handsomely with tries coming from Mainwaring, Ashley Smith and Casey Watson with two of the tries being converted by Northcott who had another very good game.

The team played this game without most of their experienced campaigners but the likes of Billy Biss, Jack Elliot, Max Gosden and Ben Johnson and all the other younger players all played well.

The game finished as it had started with Drybrook crossing for several more tries.

Chard Colts 17 Taunton 17

CHARD Colts were presented with the Somerset League trophy by Andrew Derry of Somer-set RFU after this end of season game against Taunton.

The game was played under the newly refurbished floodlights which were being used for the first time thanks to the very generous sponsorship of Andy Whitehouse and Lift West.

Heavy rain throughout the day made things difficult but both teams played their part in a pulsating game played out in front of a crowd in excess of 250 many of whom were grateful for the cover provided newly opened stand.

Chard took the lead with an early penalty from George Read but Taunton got in front shortly before half time when Matt Alvarez got over in the right hand corner for an unconverted try.

The match became very 'competitive' which resulted in a visiting player being invited to sit in the bin for ten minutes and Chard took advantage to score a converted try to ease into 10-

5 lead after Ryan Wingate got over in the corner.

Joe Clarke looked very dangerous for Taunton when ever he had the ball and crossed for two tries one of which was converted but a late try from Adam Moore and a second fine conversion from the touchline by Read gave Chard a deserved draw.

Chard have won 18 and drawn two of their 22 league games this season.

SW Division One (26)	Pld	+/-	Pts
Cambridge	26	468	110
Thornbury	26	368	95
Newent	26	196	94
Weston-super-Mare	26	153	77
Bideford	26	53	73
Drybrook	25	124	70
Bridgwater & Albion	26	-101	65
Clevedon	25	44	59
North Petherton	26	-126	56
Teignmouth	26	-221	52
CHARD	26	-78	47
Wells	26	-218	41
Avonmouth Old Boys	26	-183	37
Coney Hill	26	-479	3



◆ TOP OF THE LOT: The Chard RFC Colts celebrate a fantastic season in the Somerset League.

starter's orders running round up

Local runners take on iconic capital city marathon

Axe Valley Runners with Dave Mutter

IT'S very hard to get into the LONDON MARATHON with over 300,000 runners after about 15,000 ballot places, but two from AVR's did run with Angela Kerr completing in 4:15:59.

She ran most of the race at 9:15 min/mile pace but unfortunately got cramp at mile 23 and slowed a bit during the last three miles but had an excellent run finishing 49th W60, well inside the 'good for age' standard.

Janet Woodward smashed her PB by 15 mins completing in 5:27:21.

Chard Road Runners with Paul Masters

SIX Chard Road Runners hit the capital's streets for the LONDON MARATHON.

Results; Bernie Genge

03:11:25, Jeremy Taylor
03:27:15, Nina Wagstaff
03:40:08, Andy Mear
03:58:40, Anna Smith
04:39:48, Emma Male
05:03:41.

Meanwhile, it was 29 degrees for the MADRID MARATHON which presented a challenge for Steph and Joe Carbin who were both taking part in their first ever marathon and finished together in a time of 04:26:22.

Paul Masters SHAKE-SPEARE MARATHON at Stratford which marked the anniversary of the 400th years of the bard's death.

Paul was pleased to see a time of 3:20:54 despite missing the elusive 3:20:00 GFA by a few moments. It was then pointed out that his real time was 3:18:40 which allows him to qualify for next year's London Marathon.



◆ OUT IN FORCE: Chard Road Runners' Bernie Genge, Andy Mear and Anna Smith (above left and centre) pictured after the London Marathon and Joe & Steph Carbin in the warmer climes of the Madrid marathon.



tee off golf news from honiton, axe cliff and cricket st thomas

Nailbiter as Cricket beaten by Burnham at last hole

HONITON with John Pawley

HONITON were pitched against a team from EAST DEVON GC last Sunday for a mixed competition over 11 matches of mixed pairs, with Honiton the eventual winners 8-3.

Meanwhile, the Seniors headed off on Tuesday for their friendly match against Martock-based LONG SUTTON.

What ensued was a most enjoyable day with Honiton losing 3½-2½. Mal-

colm Matthews was the nearest the pin winner at the short 17th.

Tuesday also saw the return to a full field in the weekly mixed competition with 32 players taking part in a team Stableford, with two scores to count.

Stephani Barnes, Sue Kelson, Bob Barnes & Brian Morrison took first place with an excellent 85pts, closely followed by Elizabeth Ward, Cathy Utley, John Ward & Rob Sexton with 84.

In third place with 81 on count-back were Jane Watts, Liz Wood, Andy Sharland & Robert Hendrick.

A special presentation was made to Jennifer and Richard Pyle who had organised the Tuesday Mixed for five years and have now handed over the reins to Sue and Paul Ritchie.

Last Wednesday the Ladies played foursomes, or a qualifier for the Killard Leavy trophy (a vets competition) or a round of the Australian Spoons - the choice being up to each pair. Winner of the Foursomes was Linda Blundell & Jan Portlock with 34pts, followed by Joan Smith & Catherine Doherty with 33 and Sue Ritchie & Henrietta Bradshaw on 31.

Only five pairs entered the Killard Leavy, the winners being Liz Wood & Jan Lloyd with 30pts with runners up Diana Gee & Gill Johnson scored 27. The winners go forward to represent the club in the main competition at Tavistock in September.

The Australian Spoons is an ongoing competition played throughout the season where you can play with a different partner each time, but your own cumulative points are added up.

At the end of the season the ladies with the best score then play in a final

against other winners from around the country, at a nominated club.

Finally the ladies in the 10-hole competition played a Stableford with Pam Greenaway the winner on 10pts.

Axe Cliff with Peter Motson

THE Seniors' section return leg of the Emerton Court competition against DAINTON PARK Golf Club was played at Axe Cliff with Ron Heard & Tony Strong winning their match 2&1.

Peter Knighting & Gerry Turner, Stuart Mackie & Peter Hornsby and Bill Polley & Chris Walker all halved their matches.

The overall result was a draw with both teams gaining 2 1/2 matches each.

The Ladies section played the second of their County Prize matches with Jill Wellington leading the way with 31 points and three competitors coming in with 29 points, 2nd place on countback was Janet Dack ahead of Jo Donmall and Stella Thompson.

Jill Wellington & Margaret Kenchington played BRIDPORT in the 3rd round of the Daily Mail Foursomes in some very strong wind conditions. It was a very close match and the Axe Cliff pair lost their match at the 17th hole.

All other Axe Cliff matches were

rained off.

CRICKET St Thomas with Bert Robinson

FORTY four Seniors formed 11 teams in the Medalford competition played on Monday.

This format involves a better ball stableford score being subtracted from the better ball medal score.

The perfect weather conditions saw many teams return par scores in the medal section as well as scoring well in the stableford leg.

The first three teams returned to the clubhouse all under par for both sections, but a great combination of scores

James Dick, John Wallis, Bob Dennett & Des Denning team saw them winners by six shots over Roger Stone, Robin Flower, Paul England & Mike Dawson.

Twelve teams of three entered the Hassle competition on Wednesday with the restriction that no player was allowed two consecutive shots.

In this format, the lower handicap player is disadvantaged which results in a close finish. In this case only 0.49 of a shot separated the first three sides.

Result: 1st Bob Barrow; Bob White

& Ian Fielder 63.18. 2nd Peter Spencer-Jones, Jonny Bloys & Brian Hodder 63.50. 3rd Bert Robinson, Iain Rowland & Barrie Singleton 63.67.

On Friday the match team travelled to the Taunton & Pickering club to compete against the well fancied BURNHAM & BERROW Seniors in the Somerset Bowl competition.

The officials decided that, despite heavy rain the match could proceed. The lower handicapped Burnham team managed the conditions better, and although the Cricket St Thomas team gave a good account of themselves, both games resulted in 3&2 losses.

Bob Barrow & Barrie Heath had a good 3&1 win at game three. Norman Markby & Rod Stevens also won the fourth game 2&1 to tie the match at 2-2.

When it was discovered that the final match was all square after seventeen holes, both teams braved the rain to witness the final hole.

With Burnham on the green in two, Des Denning hit the bunker and although Richard Forster made a great escape, Burnham took the advantage to win the game by one hole, and the match 3-2.



◆ TOP TEAM: The Medalford winning team of James Dick; John Wallis; Bob Dennett & Des Denning at Cricket St Thomas GC.

Jack high bowls news**Outdoor bowls season in full swing**

HONITON with Julie Grant
HONITON outdoor bowlers won their first home mixed friendly 74-60 against CHARDSTOCK. The top rink scoring 23 - 13 were Barrie Singleton, Jill Munslow, Heather Chambers & Ken Clarke.

Cooler weather and an away venue brought the first loss of the season 66-83 at PHEAR PARK, but there were two winning rinks; Joan Mackintosh, Owen Cleverdon & Roger Binmore 20-16 and Myra Singleton, Tony Williams & Ken Clarke 17-13.

SOUTH PETHERTON

with Robert Dickie
SOUTH Petherton hosted PAULTON on Saturday in the first round of the Jones & Hingey Cup.

Rink 4 of the Petherton

team comprising Sue Donovan, Cliff Parsons, Geraldine McSweeney and lead by Skip Colin Harris won 26-8.

The match total however reflected how the other rinks fared in a very close 71-67 win for South Petherton.

CHARDSTOCK

with Gordon Bodily

CHARDSTOCK'S BC's first Mixed Friendly of the 2016 season saw 16 members head off to HONITON BC.

Scores: Eise Van der Meulin, Derek Eldridge, Gillian Campbell & Norman Denslow 11 K Clark 22. Les Liddle, Doris Emery, Jim Tucker & John Rolph 13 G Stafraze 23. Jeanette Porter, Gordon Bodily, Ann Sebright & John Porter 20 Roger Binmore 15. Simon Hatcliffe, Cynthia Bradford, Ken Wakelin & Eileen Rolph 16



◆ MINSTER IN THE SUNSHINE: Ilminster Bowlers pictured at the opening of their Shudrick Lane Green last week.

B Harris 14.

with Mike Smith

OTTERY began their summer campaign with a home

friendly against Ottery Short Mat Club.

Ottery BC proved too strong for the short mat players and came away with a 67-39 win, the best winning rink being that of Moira Griffin, Graham White, Shirley Fewtrell & skip Terry House.

Results are usually reversed when the return is played on the Short Mat rinks at the Institute later in the season.

A few days later Ottery played host to Phears Park. In a very close contest the rinks were shared at 2-2 but Phears Park took the victory 66-67.

The best Ottery rink was Pam Baker, George Kille & skip Mike Smith who won 22-12.

OTTERY ST MARY



◆ FENNY UNDERWAY: More than 40 Feniton BC members attended the opening of the season when Club President Richard North bowled the opening wood. The spider was won by Joyce Lovell and the winning team on the day was Alan Smith, Judy Smith & Mike Evans

on the frontier skittles round-up**COLYTON LEAGUE**

Div 1: Colyton Club A 376 (P Clode 76) Hon WMC A 351 (S Pye 64); Lamb B 327 (A Churchill 63) Honiton Con D 365 (M Wakley 67); Vine B 356 (D Blackmore 68) Gerrard A 338 (D Hawkins, S Perry 61); Sidbury Stones 367 (J Bass 69) Lamb 352 (T Moore, M Farmer 64); Red Lion Cavaliers 419 (M Summers 93) Colcombe A 400 (B Pike 79); Cloakham B 344 (P Garner 70) New Inn A 365 (D Jones 74); Axe Con A 359 (S Moore 80) Tuckers Arms B 335 (D Coombes 59).

Div 2: Colcombe Beerboys 352 (S Bartlett 70) Eagle Tavern 341 (C Hutchings 70); Ship C 388 (R Gush 90) Red Lion A 347 (Jo Flint 63); Mountbatten Whites 353 (T Revell 67) Whewright A 359 (P Hammett 71); Volunteer A 318 (T Williams 59) Cloakham Wanderers 311 (M Barnes 56); Beer B 332 (M Archibald 63) Seaton AFC A 318 (M French 65); Honiton Converts 378 (S Lapping 70) Offwell A 383 (R Pincombe 78); Gerrard B 295 (M Orson 62) Vine A 300 (C Maher, C Every 58).

Div 3: Three Tuns Hammers 392 (M Joyce 77) Tuckers A 385 (M Huskies 72); White Hart B 340 (S Robinson 66) Volunteer B 325 (S Holdsworth 59); Wilmington Harts 373 (J Woolacott 82) Beer Albion 350 (N Groves 66); Honiton Con BTP 357 (A Deen 70) Sidbury Village Inn 312 (J Smith 60); Colcombe B 387 (T Yates 73) Ship Inn A 389 (D Minchin 73); Red Lion Sid 338 (R Jennings 65) Beer A 320 (P Westlake, S Ward 58).

Div 4: Honiton Con A 320 (M Richards 65) Honiton ConArtists 345 (J Barker 61); New Inn B 329 (D Hodder 69) Rising Sun A 341 (A Baldwin 67); Honiton WMC B 349 (W Morgan 63) Kingfisher A 328 (M Rowland 69); Tuckers C 352 (R Burrough 63) Axminster

ster Inn A 332 (M Wood, T Male 57); Rising Sun B 356 (T Barrett 68) Vine Nomads 359 (D Norman 65); Kings Arms A 345 (K Tozer 64) Winstons A 334 (B Parker, M McGarrigle 57).

Div 5: Heathfield A 404 (D Pearce 94) Colyton Club B 396 (I Richards 76); Old Inn Kings 317 (D McCullum 58) Beer C 328 (Abi Gribble 61); Kingfisher B 281 (C Solway 54) Heathfield B 283 (M Glaser 56); Offwell B 349 (Annie Rigg 69) Honiton Con Raiders 329 (S Eveleigh 63); PJs Koots 367 (J Miles 70); White Hart A 356 (A Knight 68); Seaton Bowling Club 299 (Pat Whitworth 57) PJs Pirates 300 (P Burrows 62).

Division One Pld Pts

Gerrard A 25 37* New Inn A 25 36 Honiton Con D 25 35 Axe Con A 25 28 Colyton Club A 25 26 Lamb B 25 25 Vine B 25 25 Cloakham B 25 24 Lamb A 25 24 Tuckers Arms B 25 23 Red Lion Cavs 25 22 Colcombe A 25 18 Honiton WMC A 25 5*

Division Two Pld Pts

Red Lion A 25 33 Seaton AFC A 25 32 Volunteer A 25 32 Honiton Converts 25 29 Offwell A 25 28 Vine A 25 27 Wheelwright A 25 27 Beer SC B 25 26 Ship C 25 26 Gerard B 25 20 Eagle Tavern 25 19 Colcombe Beerboys 25 18 Cloakham Wanderers 25 17* Mountbatten Whites 25 15

Division Three Pld Pts

Wootton Sherberts 25 34 Beer Vikings 25 32 Thornecombe A 25 23

Division Four Pld Pts

Vine Nomads 23 35 Kingfisher A 23 34 Honiton WMC B 24 28 Rising Sun A 23 27 Honiton ConArtists 23 26 Axe Inn A 23 23 New Inn B 23 22 Rising Sun B 23 22 Kings Arms A 23 20 PJs Koots 367 (J Miles 70); White Hart A 356 (A Knight 68); Seaton Bowling Club 299 (Pat Whitworth 57) Tuckers Arms C 23 10

Division Five Pld Pts

Offwell Rejects 23 34 Heathfield A 23 33 Axminster AFC A 23 32 Colyton Club B 23 30 White Hart A 23 28 PJs Pirates 23 22 Seaton BC 23 20 Old Inn Kings 24 20 Beer SC C 23 18 Kingfisher B 23 18 Heathfield B 23 16 Red Lion Cavs 25 22 Cloakham B 25 20 Beer Wilm A 23 18

Division One Pld Pts

Wootton Sherberts 26 35 Tuckers Maggots 26 32 White Hart Warriors 26 31

Division Two Pld Pts

Angels 279 (J Binmore 5 Gush 55) v Axe Inn Allsorts 276 (S Fifier 53).

Ladies Division One Pld Pts

Woottons 26 48 Axminster Inn A 26 38 Rousdon Ladies 26 34 Perfect Pins 26 26

Division Three Pld Pts

Old Inn Hawk A 26 30 Old Inn Hawk B 26 27 Colcombe B 26 26 Old Inn Hawk IV 26 26 Old Inn Hawk Wilm B 26 25 Axe Con Club A 26 24 Lamb 49s 26 22 Red Lion B 26 22 Tuckers Y 26 6

Division Four Pld Pts

Wootton Sherberts 26 35 Tuckers Maggots 26 32 White Hart Warriors 26 31

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Green open at Seaton



♦ ALL SET: Seaton Bowling Club held their opening drive last Sunday. The club President, Malcolm Carvell, started the proceedings by delivering the traditional silver jack and then by sending up the first bowl of the season. He was followed by the club captain Maria Johnson. Although there was a chilly wind, the weather held fine and the 18 ends were completed. The winning rink was Ted Talbot, Reg Pluck and Di Morley.

Hawkchurch United



♦ AIMING FOR THE TOP FLIGHT: Hawkchurch United who are in the running for promotion from the Perry Street & District League Division One as the season reaches its climax. Line-up, standing from left; Josh Short, Bradley Cross, Jamie Harris, James Mitcham, Bradley Pearse, Simon Herrod, Stewart Weir. From; Jack Larcombe, Tom Chubb, Jack Chapple, Mark Herrod, Gavin Herrod, Rowan Short.

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